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"Obviously — have I overstated this? — the mere recording of fascinating detail is not what drives me. It is the image that drives me, the image and its embedded meanings, its power to absorb us briefly in its world and to return us to our own lives with clear eyes, calm hearts."

—G. Daniel Massad

G. Daniel Massad, *Arrangement with Pumpkin Stem*, 1997, pastel on paper, 16 x 16 1/4 ins.;  
The Snite Museum of Art, University of Notre Dame

G. Daniel Massad: *Recent Still Lives* celebrates the recent achievements of the renowned Lebanon Valley College artist-in-residence who calls Annville home. Before opening in the Suzanne H. Arnold Art Gallery, this exhibition was on display at Tatistcheff & Co., Inc., New York (April 4-April 29).

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# An Environment For Learning

By Laura Ritter

**The physical setting of a college is closely tied to the learning that takes place there, says historian Sheldon Rothblatt.**

For historian Sheldon Rothblatt, the challenge of today's colleges remains essentially the same as it has for centuries — to create a place in which something called a liberal education can take place.

At a time when the campus of Lebanon Valley College is undergoing dramatic change, Rothblatt's talk before an audience of about 150 in Leedy Theater last October emphasized the critical role of environment and space on the personal kind of learning that takes place on a college campus. A college must offer students quiet spaces where thoughts can wander, he said, as well as vistas and unex-

pected views that give rise to creative and imaginative thought. It must also offer spaces where students and others can meet, interact and learn from one another.

Rothblatt said that historically, the university and the college — while both centers of education and learning — are rivals and contend with one another for the soul of students of the future. Universities, he said, developed in cities. "They are large, sprawling centers in which masses of students acquire professional knowledge, under faculties largely oriented towards research," he noted. "Positioned historically for mass education, universities

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**— Sheldon Rothblatt**

at the undergraduate level are somewhat impersonal, plural in outlook, tolerant, and they tolerate eccentricities, giving students freedom to live where they want, and study what they want across a diversified curriculum."

Colleges on the other hand, have a different, non-professional kind of education as their focus. Historically, colleges have walls and are "boundaried, enclosed, protective of the young people inside," he said. Smaller and anti-urban by nature, a college is "humanistic rather than technical, devoted to developing character and independence in students. The curriculum is devoted not to imparting specific knowledge needed for an occupation, but "rather to make your life, your personal life, worthwhile." Rothblatt said. Colleges are essentially aimed at the youngest students, he said, students once as young as 14 and today primarily under 21.

Contrasting the impersonal, highly academic life of the university with the personal, more intimate nature of the college, Rothblatt said the focus of the college was to prepare students, when they "went out into the world to feel secure about themselves, armed with a deep understanding of human nature and capable of becoming a leader in society."

Today, Rothblatt said, the university borrows from the concept of a college while the college borrows from the concept of the university. For example, he said, because many students go on to university-based graduate schools, the graduate schools exert a tremendous pressure on the curriculum of the college to turn away from its traditional focus. "Similarly, nearly all universities, under pressure to become more personal and intimate, have created within themselves a colleges of arts and letters, where students experience the undefinable yet obviously important atmosphere typical of the college environment," he stated.

To illustrate his views Rothblatt offered slides and discussed the development of the University of California

at Santa Cruz in the 1960s, as a university in search of a college atmosphere, composed of discreet colleges so that "every student in the place would relate to something intimate and small."

He described the campus as a "series of low-rise buildings in the midst of the forest ... with no building so towering or imposing it can oppress the human size. It has gardens, and terraces that take advantage of the views and keep broadening the vision, leading young people to see the possibility of life outside themselves."

He also presented slides of a "university college" in Stockholm, called Sodertorns, located in what was once a hospital building. Though the facility is urban and serves large masses of students, its design also strives to incorporate the college ideal. While Sodertorns aspires to be a university, "they are terribly eager to introduce in student life something they have no name for, but we have a name for: college life," Rothblatt said. "They want to personalize these interior spaces so that when students are waiting around, those spaces will be attractive, nice little gathering spots where students will stop to chat and perhaps have coffee."

"It still looks like a university," he added, "but inside, they are trying to create some of the intimacies that go with a college."

Rothblatt believes the great battle between the model of the large, urban university and the small, relatively isolated college is a conflict that is unresolvable. Unfortunately, he said, "the whole collegiate idea is dying, increasingly more difficult to maintain within modern universities devoted to research. It's a fantastic pressure the universities exert on colleges. Students plan to go on to universities for graduate degrees, and the university thus drives the college away from its original shape, its original task."

Still, he said, "the college gets its revenge. Its revenge is to personalize the university, to force it away from its natural tendency to be bureaucratic,

large, and impersonal, to be a knowledge center, not a personal center, forcing it to hang on to the idea that it is possible to create spaces for young people so that they have to collide, they have to live and learn about one another in spaces that encourage them to think about attachments to other people and to life."

The mission, Rothblatt said, and one that is currently finding expression in the many building projects under way at Lebanon Valley College, is "creating an environment that is interesting and in some sense alive, in which the spirit comes to life." At the same time, a college environment should also counteract the narrowing effect of study - "the solitary life of scholars who never get out of their own minds," he said.

In a personal discussion after his talk, Rothblatt offered his impression of the transformation currently under way on the LVC campus. "This will be a campus where students will have ... manifold experiences in an interesting, variegated environment carefully organized to make them wondrous, but also to appeal to something in their youth," he said. "It's a learning environment, an environment that's interesting, with symbols in it, many different kinds of structures, paths, places to go and wander. It's a place where you're invited to go for a stroll with yourself."

Rothblatt is a graduate of the University of California at Berkeley, where he also earned his MA and PhD. He was also named Ehrman Student, King's College, Cambridge University. He has been honored with numerous awards and was a Shelby Cullam Davis Fellow at Princeton University, as well as a winner of a Guggenheim Fellowship. He has written dozens of essays and three books, the most recent called *The Modern University and Its Discontents*, published last year by Cambridge University Press.

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# Redrawing The Campus

By Nancy Fitzgerald  
and Judy Pehrson

**The college is keeping an eye on its heritage as it embarks on ambitious expansion plans.**

In the beginning, it was just a small town — a few hundred houses surrounded by cornfields, nestled in the mountains, sitting alongside a meandering creek. But back in 1866, the founders of Lebanon Valley College saw something a little different. To them, their little piece of Annville was something special. Free from distractions and far from busy cities, they discovered the perfect environment for a community of scholars embarking on learning and a vocation of service.

Now more than a century later, the mountains and the cornfields are still there, the Quittie still meanders through town and the campus is still a canvas. The picture we're painting is a little different, but the theme is much the same — creation of a campus environment for learning and service, set against the backdrop of the twenty-first century.

"The college is in the midst of a major transformation as we meet the needs of yet another generation of students — who demand not only academic excellence but also a spacious, beautiful campus with the best facilities and the most up-to-date technology," says President G. David Pollick. "It's a major transformation, but also one which deepens our commitment to the college's mission."

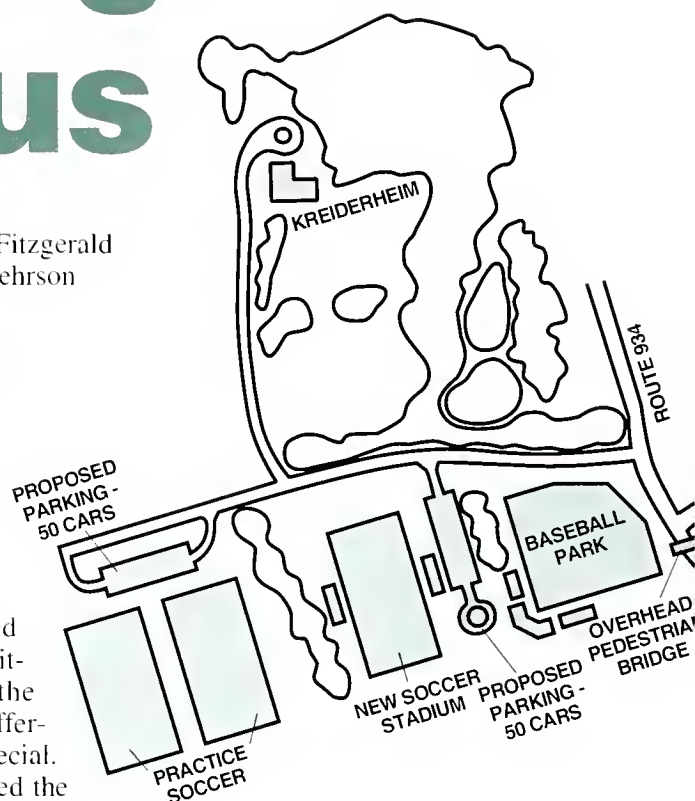
The college's new five-year physical therapy program, (see back cover) and the beautiful building which will house it, will continue the mission of service to others, Pollick states.

"Physical therapy is also a natural outgrowth of Lebanon Valley's traditional strength in the sciences," he says. "Our nationally ranked science programs will be an important component of the new program. There will also be a strong liberal arts component, which is in keeping with the tradition of the college. In addition, we intend to continue to give the individual, personalized attention to students that we have been known for over the years."

The new sports fields under construction are also in keeping with Lebanon Valley tradition, he states. "Athletics has always been an important part of college life at the Valley — an impressive 40 percent of our students play intercollegiate sports, and more than 70 percent participate in intramural sports. They will be able to take good advantage of the increased spaces for athletic and recreational activities."

A new baseball field, varsity soccer field and soccer practice areas, comprising some 20 acres on the west side of Route 934, are nearing completion, as are a new softball field for the women's varsity team, football practice fields, and intramural playing fields in the area east of the Arnold Sports Center. Work on this 20-acre project, already 25 percent complete, will be finished this summer. In addition, a new field hockey stadium will be created next summer at the site of the present baseball diamond.

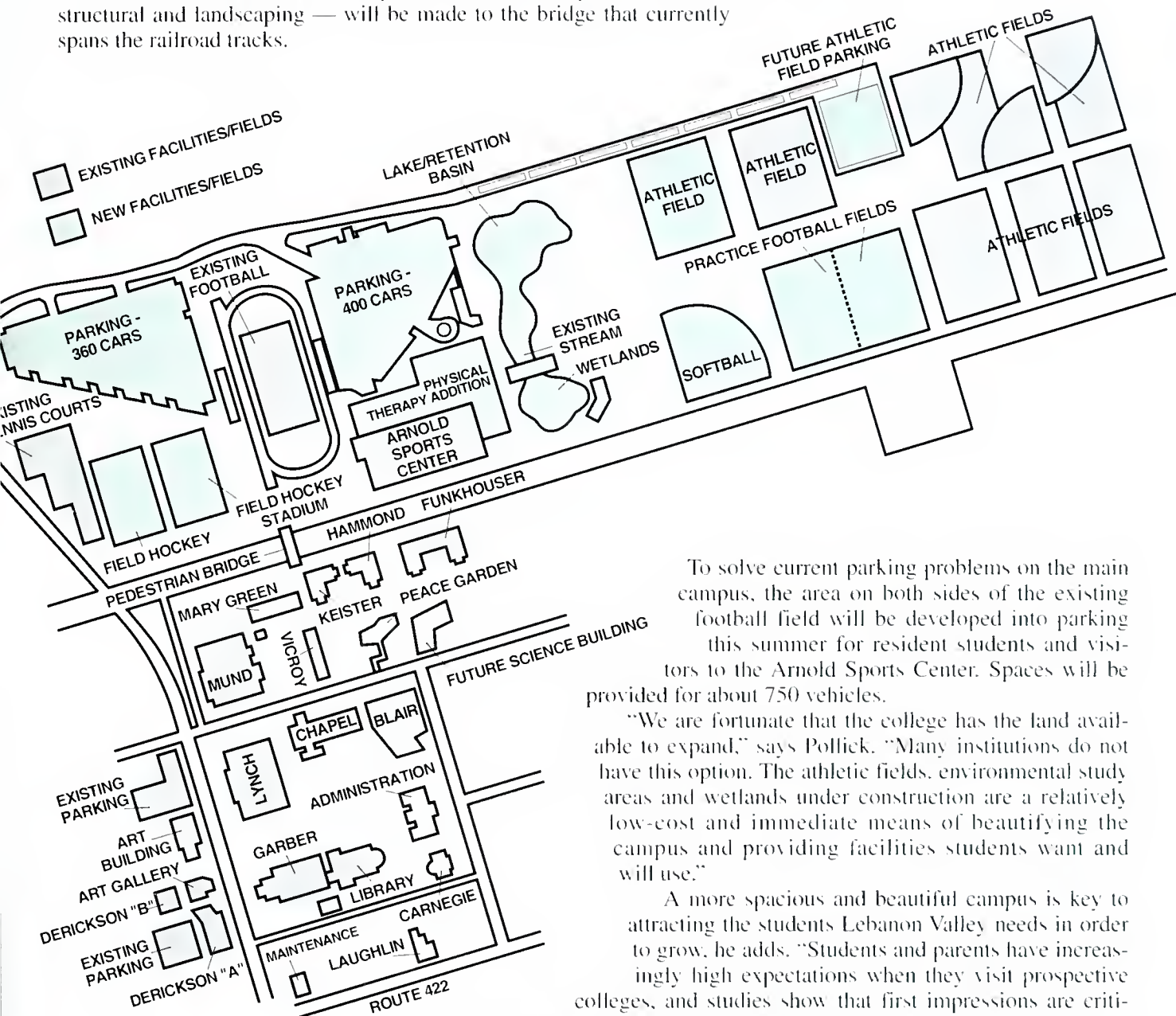
Work is also well along on an environmental study area, including ponds and wetlands, which is being developed on the five acres of land just east of the Arnold Sports Center. Scheduled to be completed this fall, the area





will provide teaching and research opportunities for students and faculty, as well as a series of restful park land walkways for the entire campus community.

Bringing people and all of these new spaces together will be a system of walkways and gardens which will connect the main campus with the expanded athletic fields and the environmental study area. Work will begin shortly on a pedestrian bridge across Route 934 to connect the eastern and western sections of campus. In addition, improvements — both structural and landscaping — will be made to the bridge that currently spans the railroad tracks.



To solve current parking problems on the main campus, the area on both sides of the existing football field will be developed into parking this summer for resident students and visitors to the Arnold Sports Center. Spaces will be provided for about 750 vehicles.

"We are fortunate that the college has the land available to expand," says Pollick. "Many institutions do not have this option. The athletic fields, environmental study areas and wetlands under construction are a relatively low-cost and immediate means of beautifying the campus and providing facilities students want and will use."

A more spacious and beautiful campus is key to attracting the students Lebanon Valley needs in order to grow, he adds. "Students and parents have increasingly high expectations when they visit prospective colleges, and studies show that first impressions are critical. While Lebanon Valley's campus had been renovated and improved enormously over the past decade, it still did not measure up to many of our competitors' campuses and facilities. The new projects we're undertaking will help close that gap."

Most importantly, the new initiatives will create a better environment for learning, according to Pollick. "The physical environment of a campus is inextricably tied to the learning process. The college's founders knew that and created a campus which met the academic and spiritual needs for a liberal education of that era. We're building on that legacy to create a campus environment that fulfills the requirements of a new century."

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# Glory Days

## In a couple of Cinderella seasons, a once-rangy teenager is transformed into a champion.

By Ed Gruver

**F**ranklin & Marshall men's basketball coach Glenn Robinson stood outside the visitor's locker room beneath Lynch Gym late in the evening on Monday, January 19, 1998. Just moments earlier, Robinson, a 27-year coaching veteran, had witnessed something neither he nor the sellout crowd of 1,500 had ever witnessed before.

For a span of 8:09 minutes in the middle of the second half, Lebanon Valley College junior forward Andy Panko scored 25 consecutive points, a feat that may very well rank not only as an NCAA Division III record, but also a record at every level. The NBA record is 23 straight, set by Bernard King of the New York Knicks in a 1984 playoff game.

Panko finished the 81-69 win with a career-high 45 points, tying him with Howie Landa '55 for the third-highest single game mark in school history: Landa accomplished the feat in 1953. Don Johnson '73 owns the two highest marks, 56 and 49, both set in 1972.

"We basically tried to keep him from getting the ball," Robinson said. "We didn't want him to hit any open 'threes.' And he didn't. I don't think he made a single jump shot [from three-point range]. But he figured us out, and when he got half a step, he's just way too big to stop."

A half-step may be all Andy Panko needs to beat opponents the quality of F&M. But the muscular 6-8, 205-

pound All-American forward has taken a series of long strides since his high school days as an undersized, seldom-used post player at Harrisburg's Bishop McDevitt High School.

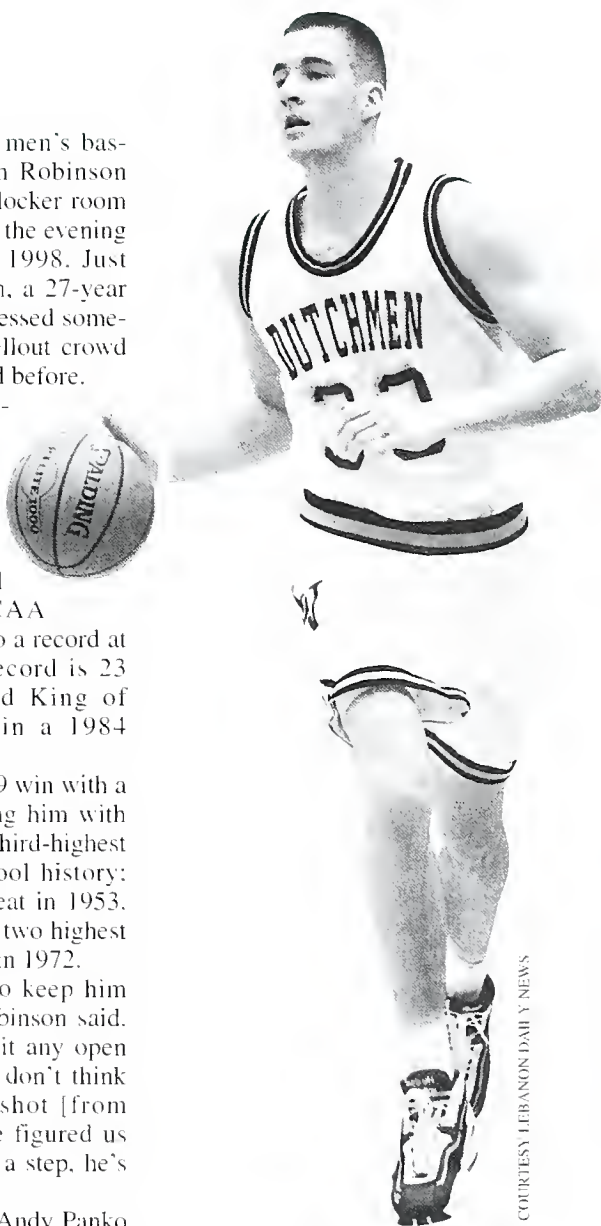
"I knew he would develop into a good player because I knew he would grow a couple of more inches," said LVC head coach Brad McAlester, who scouted Panko in high school four years ago. "I also knew he'd grow physically because he was very, very weak in high school and had not touched weights at all. Once he learned how advantageous it was to lift, he fell in love with it and now he's one of the strongest guys on the team."

"I can't say that I realized he'd be as good as he's turned out to be, but I thought he'd be good because he'd be facing the basket. But certainly he's reached heights that I thought and everybody thought were a little behind him."

Everybody, that is, except Panko himself, who for the second season in a row led the Middle Atlantic Conference in scoring with a personal-best 26.1 points per game average — up a full point from last year's MAC leading total. He was named the MAC Commonwealth League Most Valuable Player for the second straight year.

As a junior at McDevitt, Panko played the guard position, which helps explain his somewhat unique combination of being a big man with a small man's dexterity. Between his junior and senior seasons in high school, he grew five inches, reporting back to the Crusaders in the fall of 1994 at a height of 6-7.

Switched from the backcourt to a post position his senior season, Panko became the pivot man on a team whose quickness dictated they play a free-wheeling, fast-break style. Had he been the middle man on a team that favored a low-post, half-court offense, Panko may have averaged more than the 17 points per game he posted as a senior.



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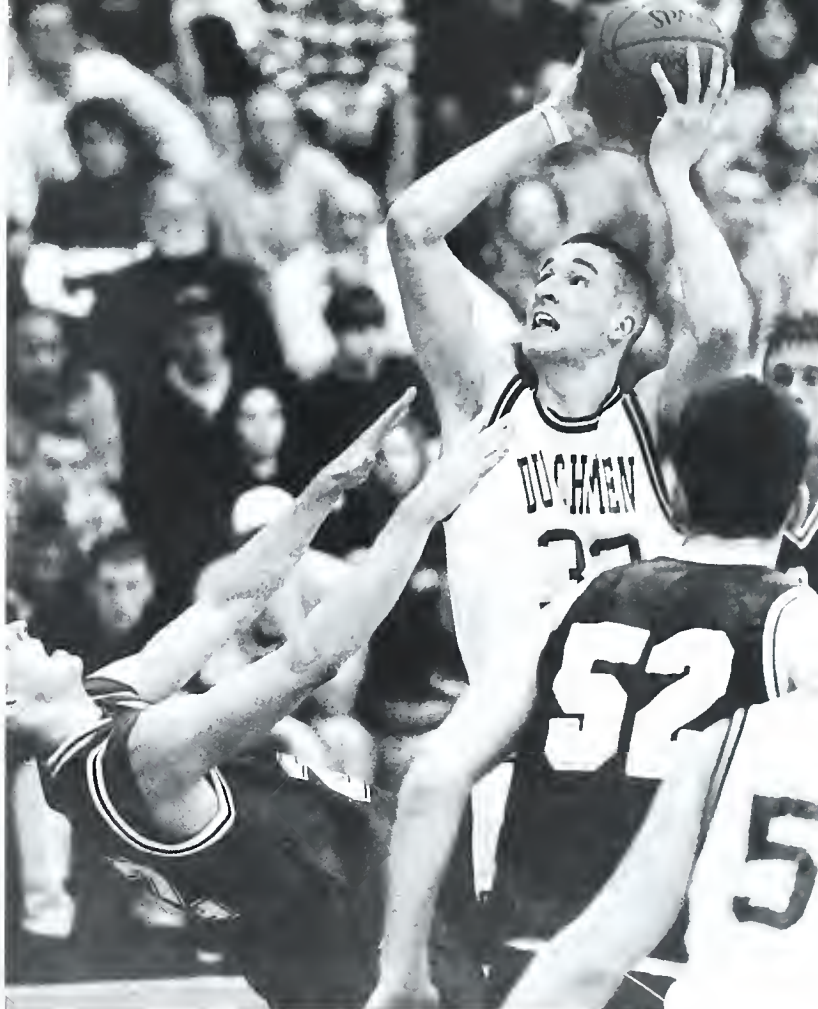
"He never saw the ball," McAlester said. "He had other kids on his team who were really athletic and did all the shooting, and they kind of put him inside and that's where he stayed. You really didn't see him on the outside perimeter until some of the all-star games. And that's when you saw what this kid could do."

What McAlester and a number of college coaches — including Robinson — saw was a rangy kid who could handle the ball, a kid with long arms who was still growing. McAlester sold Panko on LVC by showing him the perimeter of the court.

"This," McAlester told the wide-eyed 17-year-old, "is where you're going to play."

Panko fell in love with the idea of being a shooting forward on a program still basking in the success of the 1994 NCAA Division III national championship. As a junior and senior at McDevitt, Panko and his father, Dr. Andrew Panko, Sr. — a University of Scranton alum who had played the game in college as well — would sit in the stands at Lynch Gym and watch with awe and fascination as a bulldog guard named Mike Rhoades willed the Flying Dutchmen to the top of D-III.

"Watching Mike just amazed me," Panko said. "He was so good as a point guard. Yeah, we're different positions, but I admired the things I saw in him, especially his attitude toward the game — he just loved it. No matter whether it was a pickup game or what, he always worked hard. He wanted to win, and he always had that hunger to win."



ANDY PANKO

*Andy (center) is only the second player in Flying Dutchmen basketball history to be twice named All-American.*

As soon as Panko committed to LVC, McAlester made good on his recruiting promise and put him on the perimeter where he could face the basket. "He fell in love with it," McAlester said. "He's a natural scorer and as his confidence grew, his ability grew."

His freshman season saw Panko lead LVC by scoring 369 points and averaging 14.8 per game. He led the team in scoring 11 times, and had an 11-game stretch in which he scored in double figures. He was rewarded at the end of the season with the Rookie of the Year title in both the MAC Commonwealth League and the ECAC Southern Region.

Opponents hoping to see him struggle through a sophomore slump were disappointed. Improving on his numbers in assists, blocks, steals, rebounds and points, Panko produced a team-high 703 points and a 25.6 points-per-game average. The latter ranked him first in the MAC and fifth in the nation in Division III. His stunning season was highlighted on February 25, 1997, when he became the 22nd player in school history (and the quickest — just 50 games) to reach 1,000 points for his career.

By the time he poured in a then career-high 41 points against Drew University on February 8, 1997, the one-time skinny kid from McDevitt

**"I never expected him to be a Mike Rhodes type — a take-charge, take-you-by-the-shirt, coal-region type kid. I thought he'd be very good and be a scorer, but never the sole leader of the team."**

**— Coach Brad McAlester.**

*Coach Brad McAlester recognized Panko's potential four years ago when he saw him play at Bishop McDevitt High School in Harrisburg.*



DENNIS CRAWFORD



was a well-known figure in Division III. He led his team in scoring in 17 of their 28 games. Once so shy and timid he rarely started conversations, he has grown into a superstar player comfortable with himself and his surroundings.

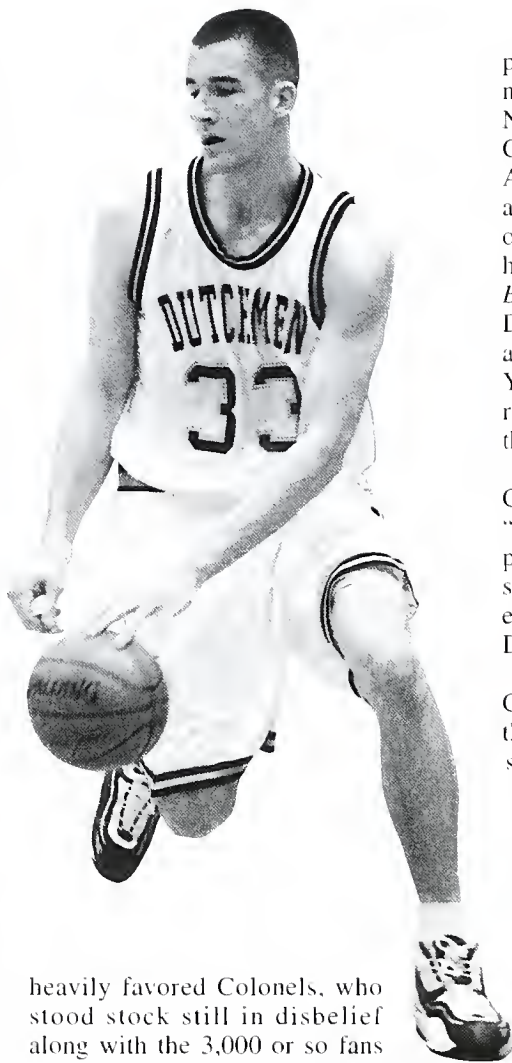
"I never expected him to be a Mike Rhoades type — a take-charge, take-you-by-the-shirt, coal-region type kid," McAlester said. "I thought he'd be very good and be a scorer, but never the sole leader of the team. Guard Danny Strobeck is still our leader as far as the ultimate guy who does all the talking, but Andy's getting better at it every day."

Strobeck and Panko have been roommates for three years and the junior point guard acknowledged that the two hit it off personality-wise from the start. "We click together," Strobeck said. "We know where each other is on the court and that's a good thing because down the stretch in a tough game, we need to go to him."

Of course, part of Panko's success has to be credited to his teammates — Strobeck, guard Keith Phoebe, forward Joe Terch, and center Dan Pfeil — talented players whose abilities prevent defenses from concentrating solely on Panko. In addition, McAlester has developed Panko's physical skills and knowledge of the game and the combination of skill and strategy has helped Panko become arguably the best player in Division III at his position.

By the end of his sophomore season, Panko had been named MAC Commonwealth League Player of the Week four times and ECAC Southern Division Player of the Week three times. He ranked among the nation's leaders in scoring, field goal percentage, free-throw percentage and rebounds, and he led LVC into the MAC title game and into their first berth in D-III's "Big Dance" (NCAAs) since 1995.

LVC's Cinderella season ended prematurely, but Panko put an exclamation point on the post-season run when he launched what is arguably the second most dramatic and memorable shot in recent LVC history — a 30-foot heave at the overtime buzzer that gave the Flying Dutchmen a classic victory over Wilkes University in their MAC semifinal game. The shot stunned the



heavily favored Colonels, who stood stock still in disbelief along with the 3,000 or so fans who packed their gym. Only Jason Say's buzzer-beater at the end of regulation in the national championship game in Buffalo (1994) ranks ahead of Panko's shot for pure drama.

Even now, a year later, that single play still brings a smile to Panko's boyish face. "The Wilkes game," he said, grinning. "It's a packed house at Wilkes, a great atmosphere, and you hit the buzzer-beater and go to the MAC championship. It's all you can dream of."

Panko has continued to forge dreamlike performances in 1997-98. Named by *The Sporting News* as the Division III Preseason Player of the Year, he's lived up to that lofty title by again leading the team in scoring and rebounding. His 25.5 points per game average was seventh-best in the nation this season and, out of 28 games this season, he led the team in scoring 22 times and in rebounding 17 times. In those same 28 games, he scored 20 or more points 19 times and 30 or more

points 11 times. Postseason, he garnered a plethora of honors: The National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) named him Middle Atlantic District Player of the Year and a First-Team All-American for the second time; *Basketball Weekly* named him Division III Player of the Year; *Basketball Times* honored him as Division III First Team All-American and Division III National Player of the Year; and Columbus Multimedia recognized him as National Player of the Year.

"He's phenomenal," said Juniata College head coach Rick Ferry. "Offensively, he does everything a player at this level can do, and then some. When I go out to recruit kids, even some of those that are at the Division II level are not close to him."

Ex-Widener University head coach C. Alan Rowe agreed. "Panko can hit the 'three' or he can get a good first step and take you to the basket. He leaps well, which helps him get second opportunities on his shots."

Second opportunities are something Panko and LVC would have liked to have had when it came to the postseason in 1998. They took aim at a return trip to both the MAC title game and the D-III tournament, but were unsuccessful. Although LVC lost to eventual MAC champion Wilkes in the conference semifinal and missed out on an NCAA D-III tournament berth, 20-year-old Panko, an elementary education major who dreams of a career in professional basketball, looks forward to new seasons and a bright future. And through it all, he can count on the support of his family.

"They stuck by me even at McDevitt when I was playing JV ball," he said. "They're my best friends. They're always there for me whether I have a good game or a bad game. They're happy with what I'm doing and I'm happy because I know they'll always be there."

Basically, I feel like I'm living the glory days right now."

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*Ed Gruver covers sports for the Lebanon Daily News.*

# Seeing

with the

# Heart

Leslie Mader doesn't let anything slow her down. Blind since infancy, she thinks of her disability as a stepping-stone on her path to success.

By Barbara Miller

**T**entatively tiptoeing through life isn't the path walked by 24-year-old Leslie Mader '98, a Lebanon Valley College senior who says she has "always jumped in with both feet." She loves rising to a challenge, and so far, most challenges have met their match when they've faced this Lebanon woman who, blind since the age of one, is striving toward a career goal of counseling so she can ease pain in other peoples' lives.

Leslie, always encouraged by her father, Royce Mader, Jr., to "do everything, and not ask for special privileges," has taken his advice to heart. Her professors extol her talents and tenacity, and enthusiasm for life flows through her melodious voice. Described as an "overachiever," she spent a semester last year studying in Germany, is majoring in psychology and minoring in German and music, training as a volunteer sexual assault counselor, and planning to get married in the next couple of years.



*Leslie knows she can depend on Sterling, her guide and companion.*

LENNY CRUICK



She is described by Dr. Sal Cullari, chairman of LVC's psychology department and one of her professors, as "very independent. It is amazing to watch her — I think a lot of our students find her inspiring. She's the type of student you wish all your students were like."

Leslie doesn't want to sound like she's "tooting her horn," but she does admit to being a nitpicker and a perfectionist. "I have always expected to do well in things. I have only recently learned to cut myself some slack. Learning has always come easily to me - it is a gift, and I am grateful to God for it."

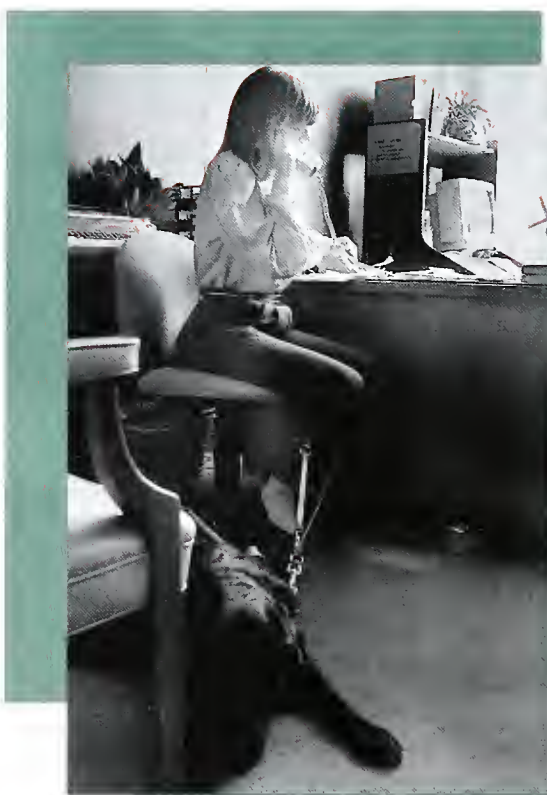
Leslie was a year-old infant when she was diagnosed with cancer. "They tried radiation and chemotherapy," she explains, "but the cancer had begun moving along my optic nerve and they were afraid it would've spread," she said. She has permanent prosthetic eyes.

A 1991 honors graduate of Lebanon High School, Leslie attended a school for the blind at the age of four, but after a year was "mainstreamed" in regular public school classrooms. She's grateful not to have been segregated from her sighted classmates. "If you live only with blind people," she insists, "it keeps you isolated from the sighted community — and then they don't know how to handle us when we're thrust upon them. It's better for us to have experience with the sighted, whom we'll be spending the rest of our lives with. We live in a sighted world, and we need to learn how to function with them."

## A Quest for Success

From the beginning, it seems, Leslie learned to function with flying colors. At the age of 11, she went on a backpacking trip on the Loyalsock Trail in Lycoming County. "At first the school didn't want to let me go," she recalls. "But I went, and I did well."

So it wasn't surprising when, during her junior year at LVC, she decided to venture a bit farther afield, spending a semester in Cologne, an adventure in which she was encouraged by Dr. Jim Scott, her German professor. "I was very eager to see her do the program," he says. "I felt it would help her to become more independent, and have a maturing experi-



LAURA MATTHEWS  
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*Leslie often uses Miller Chapel office facilities during her time on campus.*

ence. There was some hesitation on a number of lines. Leslie and I were the only two people who thought she should really do this."

Most sight-impaired young people in Germany attend schools for the blind, so finding a host family for Leslie was a challenge — and a major irritant. But her persistence paid off when the college was able to find a blind couple to host her. "They were in their early 30s," explains Scott, "and both were professionals with careers, and they agreed to take Leslie. At first she was somewhat reluctant, because she doesn't like to think of herself as blind. But I did tell her that 'This is the best situation you could have. You will be living with people who are what you want to become. You will see how this works.' So she went, and was

a real highlight of the program. The director there told me she could not have imagined the program without her."

Leslie's decision to go to Germany came as no surprise to Dr. Stephen Specht, a professor of psychology and one of Leslie's teachers. "The only thing I was concerned about was her dog and how she would get there," says Specht, who confesses he keeps biscuits in his office for Sterling Michelle, her black Labrador seeing-eye dog. As it turned out, Sterling adjusted famously to life in Germany — a little rambunctious the first week or so, she eventually adapted to her new surroundings. Her only *faux pas* was snitching a piece of toast from a fellow traveler in an airport cafe.

**"Leslie is very independent. It is amazing to watch her — I think a lot of our students find her inspiring." — Dr. Sal Cullari**



Leslie, too, adapted quickly to German life — after a bit of initial homesickness and the inevitable culture shock. But a bundle of mail arriving in October proved to be just what she needed. “For my birthday my parents had a bunch of people write to me and they had all the letters brailled and sent them to me. I laughed and cried my way through them.” And once she got over those homesick pangs, she went on to savor her new environment.

“Cologne was absolutely wonderful,” she says. “Studying abroad is an unbelievable experience, in terms of maturation and experiencing another culture. Well, it changed my life — I met my fiancé there.” The lucky fellow is Raphael Netolitzky, a friend of her host parents, who is blind in one eye and has 10 percent sight in the other. “He does quite well,” she says, adding that he is working toward the equivalent of a master’s degree in social work, and is employed as a probation officer. The couple are unsure about whether they’ll make their future home in the U.S. or Germany.

Her experience in Germany may have been a precursor to more exciting adventures to come. “Two things I would really love to try — which would probably horrify some people — are hang gliding and skydiving,” she says. “I think it would be an incredible experience. I would love to fly unfettered with anything, and these are two of the closest ways to get to that.”

Those who have come to know Leslie wouldn’t find her aviary aspirations unusual.

“I met her as a student in intermediate German,” says Scott. “I was told I was going to have a blind student in my class — which I had no experience with before — and I was told she would be no problem. Well, I found this to be absolutely true. She is a superb student who did all the work anybody else did for the course, and did it extremely well. She is preparing herself for a life that enables her to help other people. That’s where she is most happy,” Scott said.

Leslie even met the challenge of a tough course like statistics head-on. “She never wants a break that’s unfair,” explains Specht. “It’s been great having her as a student. Because she is blind, she doesn’t take notes — she just sits and listens to me, and is

able to surpass 90 percent of the class in her performances on tests.” With Leslie’s needs in mind, Specht devised tactile methods of teaching statistics, “so she can feel the things I was showing the rest of the class.” (See sidebar.)

“I find Leslie challenges me as well,” says Specht. “It’s great having her in class. It’s sort of a symbiotic relationship,” Specht said. “I would say we are good friends, too. I tease her sometimes — I’ll say, ‘Leslie, your abacus needs some batteries.’”

## Overcoming Obstacles

While her handicap has certainly created some obstacles in her life, Leslie points out, “Everyone has some difficulties, your cross to bear. I don’t think blindness has made it harder for me.”

She lives in her own apartment in Lebanon, having decided three years ago it was time to jump from the nest of her parents’ home, forging her own path and living pretty much the way everybody else does — minus the television set.

But setting up housekeeping presented its own challenges. “Shopping I loathe,” she says. “Sometimes when I shop with friends it can be fun. But my parents help with groceries.” She terms herself only a “rudimentary cook.”

whose sense of smell and taste — important gastronomic guides — were damaged by the radiation she underwent as an infant. But she’s looking forward to a richer culinary future: “My fiancé is a wonderful cook, so he will do the cooking in our family.”

Without the gift of sight, Leslie has come up with some creative ways to go about the business of learning. Like many blind people, she hasn’t bothered to learn to write much other than her name, and relies on memorization to an astonishing degree. She never tapes lectures (listening to them later puts her to sleep), relying instead on her excellent memory. “People marvel at this, but I guess I’ve honed it. I

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*Psychology Professor Stephen Specht designed a set of special “tactile boards” to help Leslie understand the essentials of quantitative analysis.*

memorize most phone numbers. And I don't usually take notes. I do study with friends after class — I tell them what I understand, and they tell me if I'm correct or not. And often I do need the review."

Back in elementary school, she relied on Braille books, but found that Braille takes longer and costs about \$7,000 for a book. "I'm a struggling college student and I can't afford that," says Leslie, who calls herself a "speed reader" of recorded textbooks.

While studying doesn't faze her, research, on the other hand, "is a nightmare. It's like my hell — getting everything read and reread, and putting it in order." She listens to articles on tape, or her father reads them to her, and she has him highlight what she wants to include in her paper. She puts her paper on tape, and then has it transcribed. Leslie is a proficient typist, who uses an electric typewriter and a word processor. But, she adds, "I am a computer moron."

Most of her tests are done orally. "The professors often read the questions to me, and then write down my answers," she explains. Or, teachers will record the test on tape and ask her to record her answers.

What's it like going through the obstacle course that Leslie runs every day of her life? Specht relates that during an exercise in which students were instructed to pick a handicap to try on, those who chose to be blind were surprised at how difficult and emotionally draining the temporary experience was. But, he points out, "Leslie said that to be honest, it's not really fair to judge from that experience, because when you are blind almost from birth you don't know what you're missing. She doesn't see it as a disability or handicap. She doesn't know any other way, so she said it's not so devastating for her. To me, that is a real good example of what Leslie is all about. There are practical barriers for her in the world, but it isn't an emotional thing, where she feels sorry for herself or is hampered."

Leslie insists that adults who lose their vision have a tougher adjustment than someone like herself who grew up without vision. "They feel the loss more, I think," she says. But, she points out, those people do have the comfort of their memories. "I've felt

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**— Leslie Mader**

sad when someone tried to describe to me fine art, or the beauty of a sunset."

Cullari, who had never taught a totally blind student before Leslie's arrival on campus, was uncertain, initially, about what to expect. "I think we all had concerns at first," he recalls. "A lot of the classes involve sensory perception, and statistics, for example, is difficult enough for students who can see. To her credit she hasn't shied away from taking those kinds of classes. At first I think we were not so much concerned whether she would be able to do the work, but whether we could accommodate her."

And Cullari insists that the accommodations haven't been very dramatic — the only adjustment to his teaching method has come in the form of oral exams. "We treat her as a regular student," he says. "Her dog is in the class, of course, which is usually not a big deal. Actually, Leslie adds a lot to the class, and always has a question or a comment to make."

Sterling Michelle, Leslie's seeing-eye dog, is always at her side, and Leslie has become so attached to her canine companion that she doesn't think she'd trade her in for 20-20 vision. "I don't think I'd want to have vision," she insists. "There are so many things I would have to give up. Sight would not be worth trading my seeing-eye dog for. She is like my own child."

Sterling will stop at curbs, and blocks Leslie with her body at the top of stairs or obstacles. Leslie learned to use a cane in third grade, but got her dog in 1991 when she was 17.

## Looking to the Future

Leslie turned to psychology as a major because, she says, "People have told me I would be good at it, and I thought, 'That is something I could do.' And I genuinely like people, and feel a sense of empathy for them."

After graduation this spring, Mader said she hopes to counsel survivors of sexual assault, and she's now undergoing training as a volunteer with the Sexual Assault Resource and Counseling Center. She'd also like to train as a domestic violence intervention volunteer.

"I've known some people who have been assaulted," she says. "I don't like pain, and I want to do something about stopping it," she said. "It's difficult work, by definition painful. You must protect yourself, without becoming cold. It is a tightrope you have to walk. I feel I can do it — I mean, someone has to."

Leslie feels that her blindness may even be an asset to counseling. "I am not deceived or distracted by visual stimuli," she explains. "For example, to me, skin color is less than irrelevant. I don't know what people look like, so it doesn't matter." A hindrance, she admits, might be that she can't watch body language. "But a sense of that, I think, I can get from voices. I think a lot of this work settles on feelings." And she figures her small stature may be less intimidating to people who may have been abused.

Cullari agrees that Leslie has the makings of a good counselor. "I think she could bring a lot of unique things to counseling," he says. "Her whole attitude is so optimistic, never-say-no, and she is always wanting to improve things. I think having someone who had to overcome so much in her life could add a new dimension to therapy. She has been very good at bringing that optimistic view of the world most of us don't have, and most of us haven't had to confront the types of problems she's had to confront." And, while she won't be able to pick up on nonverbal cues, such as body language and facial expressions, Cullari insists that she can make up for any lack. "She sort of has a sense about it. She may not see visual cues, but she is bet-



ter at picking up the vocal kinds of cues that most people miss."

## A Sense of Joy

No matter what path her life takes, Leslie is sure she'll enjoy the sounds she hears along her way. "I remember people by their voices," she says. "Each voice is unique. And I'll be singing anywhere and everywhere I am — I love music." A self-taught pianist, she plays by ear and memorizes all her music. And though she's also a member of the LVC concert choir, she does wish she could have done more with theatre or dancing. As a child, she remembers always wanting to be a ballerina, or a jockey, or a figure skater. "You have to be tiny for all those things. They were a child's fantasy. But once I started singing, I never looked back."

While music has been her pleasure, her faith has been her guide. She strives, she says, "to live as Jesus Christ did — to love one another. That's what we are called to do." Not surprisingly, one of her hobbies is collecting angels, which she views as the archetype for people everywhere.

Ever the optimist, Leslie embraces a philosophy of looking on the bright side. "Have you ever just touched a bouquet of flowers? Or stopped and listened to a birdsong? These are things that sighted people miss. I think in terms of textures, hot and cold. I have no concept of color, no frame of reference whatsoever.

Picture a young woman who's confident in herself and facing the future with joy and enthusiasm — that's Leslie Mader. With her circle of close friends she fits right into life at the Valley.

Specht, who's observed Leslie interacting with her classmates, sees a young woman who knows how to experience the joy of friendship. "She is very interactive with her fellow students," he says. "They love her and her dog. They are very helpful to her." And when he sees Leslie and Sterling leave this spring, it will be with a mixture of joy and regret. "I don't know what I'll do when they leave here," he says. "It will be a sad day for me."

# A Feel for Statistics



Dr. Steve Specht is the first to admit that he's no carpenter. But if you want to know about bell curves and bar graphs and any of the measuring tools that psychologists use to understand the mysteries of human behavior — well, he's your man.

The problem was —

how could he convey all this visual information to a student who's blind? When Leslie Mader enrolled in his statistics course, he knew he'd have to come up with a new way to help her "see" the visual examples that illustrate statistical concepts.

The result is a set of "tactile boards," a crafty solution that helps Leslie understand the aspects of various quantitative analyses — the meat of a course required of every psychology major. A solid grasp of statistics is essential for all successful research or clinical psychologists.

Each of Specht's boards demonstrates a different concept — from curves made of cord and epoxy, showing positively and negatively skewed distributions, to scatterplot copper "BBs" representing positive and negative correlations.

Another of Specht's innovations is a set of 25 wooden blocks constructed to form two frequency distributions with different degrees of variability. The blocks — one-by-one-inch pieces of wood expertly cut and sanded by Specht's sister, Michele Coupe — are embedded with copper BBs corresponding to Braille numbers. They can be placed manually at the appropriate places along the curve to help Leslie understand how a frequency distribution is built by accumulations of individuals with scores of particular values.

Touching these boards gives Leslie — who's had no visual experience — a way to "visualize" difficult statistical concepts. "This makes it real for her," says Specht. "For sighted students, everything I do is pictorial, so this helps me do the same sort of thing for Leslie. I keep thinking of ways to refine the boards. It's like writing a paper — there's never a time when you think you're really done. You think, 'Well, maybe if I changed this one thing it would be better.' But Leslie is such a good student that working with her is a new challenge to me as a teacher. It's always fun — and I learn a lot as well."

— Nancy Fitzgerald

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## LVC on ice

When you think of ice hockey you probably think of New England or Canadian teams or the Hershey Bears. Now you can add Lebanon Valley College to that equation.

Beginning next fall, the inaugural Flying Dutchmen "icemen" will skate into the historic oval rink of Hershey park Arena. Head coach Allan MacCormack, a former two-time State University of New York coach of the year, has been busy recruiting and has received an enormous response from hockey players and fans alike.

As MacCormack stated recently, "There has been an overwhelming amount of interest. The thought of playing for a college with a proven success record in both academics and athletics, combined with the opportunity to play all of your home matches on the Bears' home ice, seems to appeal to many quality student athletes."

Mark Sunday, October 25 at 1 p.m. on your fall calendar, and plan on being at Hersheypark Arena for opening night!

## Integrating marketing

To bolster the college's marketing efforts, President David Pollick appointed Vice President for Advancement Deborah Read to chair a campus-wide task force to create an integrated marketing plan.

The task force reviewed various aspects of the college — academic, athletic, administrative, co-curricular — and determined Lebanon Valley's strengths, the major audiences we need to reach, and the most effective ways to reach those constituencies. The resulting marketing plan, which was presented to the Board of Trustees at the May meeting, will insure that the entire college communicates a consistent message.

Task force members are Deborah Fullam '81, vice president and controller; William Brown '79, dean of admission;

Greg Stanson '63, vice president of enrollment services; Elaine Feather, director of continuing education; Judy Pehrson, executive director of college relations; Lou Sorrentino '54, director of athletics; Andrea Bromberg, executive assistant to the president; Dr. Michael Day, chair of the Physics Department; Dr. Jeanne Hey, chair of the Economics and Political Science Department; Dr. Mark Mecham, chair of the Music Department; Wendie DiMatteo Holsinger, trustee; Bruce Rismiller, trustee; Wes Dellinger '75, trustee; Kristen Angstadt '74, president of the Alumni Association; and Jeanine Schweitzer '98, student.

A series of four subcommittees were also set up which include faculty, staff and members of the community.

## Networking grant

The college will continue to electronically network its student residence halls thanks to a \$25,000 grant from Bell Atlantic through the Foundation for Independent Colleges,

LVC began building the infrastructure needed to support a networking system.

The award was one of six presented to AICUP's member schools from a grant competition that attracted 45



*Barbara Kotch, Bell Atlantic district manager, presents a \$25,000 check to President David Pollick.*

Inc. of Pennsylvania (FIC) for the Campus Technology Fund.

FIC is an affiliate of the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Pennsylvania (AICUP). The grant will be used to complete a project started in the early 1990s, when

applications. To receive the grant, Lebanon Valley College raised an additional \$12,500 for campus technology improvements.

When the project is complete, students living in all of the college's major residence halls will be able to connect their computers directly to the campus network.

This will allow stu-

dents to search the catalog of the college library or of any of hundreds of libraries around the world, to pick up an assignment from a professor via e-mail or the Web, or to retrieve a copy of a journal article for a paper — all from the convenience and comfort of their dorm rooms.

## 1998-99 tuition/fees

The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees approved tuition, required fees, and room and board for the 1998-99 academic year.

For resident students, tuition and fees will be \$16,610 and room and board \$5,300. The new fee structure represents a 3.89 percent increase over 1997-98. Commuter students at the college will pay \$16,566 in tuition and fees — a 3.96 percent increase over last year.

According to President David Pollick, "The college is continuing its efforts to keep increases below the five percent average for private colleges nationally while still increasing the level of merit- and need-based financial aid."

He noted that the college will continue its seven-year-old achievement scholarship program, which rewards academic achievement in high school. Some 82 percent of our entering full-time freshmen receive one of the achievement scholarships.

## Business boost

Some 350 students from over 20 high schools throughout Central Pennsylvania got business advice from LVC trustee Wendie DiMatteo Holsinger, chief executive officer of ASK Foods, Inc. Her keynote address for the annual Business Career Day focused on the qualities and marketable skills employers look for in business graduates.

The day featured a variety of seminars presented by area business leaders. The sessions covered human resource management, international business, marketing and sales, finance, and business applications on the Internet.

## Founders Day honoree

The 1998 Founders Day celebration in February honored Leonard Washington, retired CEO of the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Lebanon.

The Founders Day award recognizes individuals whose character and leadership, in the spirit of the founders

of Lebanon Valley College, contribute to the enhancement of life in Central Pennsylvania.

Washington joined the staff of the Lebanon VA Medical Center in 1963 as a professional social worker. He later held a series of increasingly responsible positions within the Veterans Administration, including in Washington, D.C., and returned to Lebanon in 1982 to serve as CEO until he retired in December.



*President Pollick congratulates Leonard Washington, the 1998 Founders Day Award recipient.*

Active in the community, Washington was a member of the planning committee that designed the Leadership Lebanon Valley Program and currently serves as a board member for many community organizations, including the Lebanon Valley Chamber of Commerce.

Washington has also appeared in numerous performances for the Lebanon Community Theater, the Theater of the Seventh Sister and the Phoenix Ravenswing in Lancaster, and for Kreider Brother Productions and RK Productions.

Washington holds a bachelor's degree from Dillard University, and master's degrees in social work from Howard University and business administration from Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Management.

## Filled with pride

It's been a year to remember for the college's marching band. The group, formally known as "The Pride of the Valley," lived up to their name as they were enthusiastically met with numerous standing ovations both at home and at away games throughout the semester.

"This is the best band in my 11 years with the college," states Robert Hearson, associate professor of music and band director, who explains that one of the most amazing things about the band is its student staff. "The thing that makes us unique is that students write and teach the shows. It's really a learning tool for them."

The 11-person student crew consists of drum majors; marching and maneuvering coaches; instructors in twirling, drum line, guard, rifle and silks; drill designers; and a visual coordinator. Hearson oversees and advises, but lets the students use their creativity and knowledge to develop the shows.

For the past three years, the band has been informally known as "The Marching Hundred," and is currently comprised of 50 percent music majors and 50 percent nonmajors. Next year's group also looks strong — Hearson expects 62 new freshmen from this year to return, resulting in a total of 120-130 members.

There are several off-campus individuals whose work behind the scenes has also been vital to the band's success. Musical arrangements for the performances are written by Skip Norcott, a member of Quartet/Die Posaunen, with percussion/drumline work arranged by Hearson's son-in-law, John R. Evans, a musician who performs with the Naples Philharmonic in Florida. Hearson also credits Clyde Mentzer '34, a resident of the West Chester area, who for many years has allocated funds to the marching band to help with travel expenses. "It's a wonderful gesture," stated Hearson, who described Mentzer as an avid band supporter who is "always there for us."



## Winning Web pages

The Career Planning and Placement Web home page, designed by Stan Furmanak, systems and reference librarian, received a Silver Award from Adguide's Job Sites.

The college's Web pages as a whole were recognized as outstanding in a recent study done by three researchers at Boise State University. Lebanon Valley was rated in the top decile of the 209 public and private colleges and universities whose Web sites were evaluated.

You can visit the college's Web pages at: <http://www.lvc.edu>.

## Art sparks interest

Joan Bertin, executive director of the National Coalition Against Censorship in New York, served as keynote speaker for the spring Humanities

Colloquium, "ArtAttacks: The Politics of Culture."

The colloquium explored the impact of artistic media and what happens when artists become involved in the political process. It also looked at censorship and what happens when art comes under attack.

"Artists frequently celebrate our shared values, assumptions and conventions, but they can also challenge or attack these same certainties," explained Dr. James Scott, professor of German and an organizer of the colloquium. "When artists push this envelope of expectations, communities — or parts of them — often push back."

A local example of the collision of artistic and community values occurred last fall in Annville when a show entitled "Sex Is Art" was canceled at the

Union Hose Company because the community objected to its content. The colloquium examined that event in a panel discussion that occurred in conjunction with an art show, "Image Wars," in the Mund College Center, which featured works from the banned show, as well as other controversial art.

The colloquium also included a film series, introduced by National Public Radio film critic Bob Mondello. The series was a combination of foreign and American films ranging from the new release, *Welcome to Sarajevo*, to the classic black comedy, *Dr. Strangelove*.

Other highlights included a dance performance by nicholasleichterdance of New York City, and a reading by award-winning author Lucinda Roy. Lectures were given by Sandra Levinson, executive director of the Center for Cuban Studies in New York; Dr. Hollis Clayson of Northwestern University; and Dr. Jonathan Weinberg of Yale University.

## Swedish visitors

Kerstin Lonngrén and Kjell Ostberg, administrators from Sodertons Hogskola, a new public university in suburban Stockholm, spent two days in March touring the campus and learning how Lebanon Valley has successfully dealt with increasing enrollment and an ever-changing physical plant.

The two administrators spent a total of eight days in the United States, visiting Stanford University, the University of California at Berkeley, St. Mary's College, and Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois, before arriving at Lebanon Valley. They took a particular interest in the landscaping at Lebanon Valley and commended the college for its creative use of space.

## Physics luminary lectures

Harvard Professor Robert Pound, one of three physicists who discovered Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR), delivered two lectures at the college in April:

"From Radar to NMR — The Beginnings

of Nuclear Magnetic Resonance" and "Weighing Protons."

The discovery of NMR was a major scientific advance and has become widely known through its application as a medical diagnostic tool (known as Magnetic Resonance Imaging)

Pound was the "electronic whiz kid" of the three young physicists who discovered NMR in solids in late 1945. He is a former chair of the Harvard Department of Physics, and has received numerous honors and awards, including the National Medal of Science in 1990. His visit was funded in part by a grant from the American Institute of Physics.

## Ten big ones

Quartet/Die Posaunen celebrated its 10th anniversary as Lebanon Valley's trombone quartet-in-residence with a performance March 22 that turned into a tribute to retiring Dean William McGill. McGill was the person responsible for bringing the group to the college in 1988, and the quartet acknowledged his help by presenting the avid baseball fan with two letters from the St. Louis Cardinals, a replica of a 1935 Cardinals baseball cap and an autographed photo of baseball great Whitey Kurowski.

## High-tech delivery



Music recording technology majors (left to right) Craig Underwood, Cindy Perroth and J. Alex Lang display some state-of-the-art equipment loaned to the college by Tascam, a large producer of technical products for the music industry and a subsidiary of TEAC. The college also has an internship program with Tascam, which Lang will be participating in over the summer.





By Tom Hanrahan  
Sports Information Director

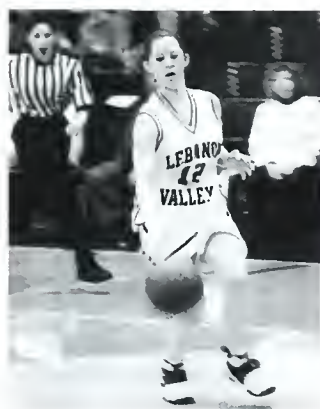
## Women's basketball (16-7, 8-6 MAC)

Head coach Peg Kauffman, behind a trio of senior captains, led the team to the college's best record since women's basketball began in 1904.

Chrissy Henise, Kathy Ziga and Tricia Rudis closed out their collegiate careers in dramatic fashion, leading the Flying Dutchwomen to the brink of the team's first-ever postseason appearance. LVC was a finalist for inclusion in the ECAC Southern Region Championships but missed out by a narrow margin.

Ziga and Henise were joined by junior Melissa Brecht and sophomore Serenity Roos as four of the Dutchwomen's five starters were named to the MAC All-Academic Team in March.

On the court, Ziga, Henise and Roos each established new school records for women's basketball. For her efforts, Ziga was selected as a MAC Commonwealth League Second Team All-Star. Also, Rudis moved into 4th place on the college's all-time rebounding list; she finished with 610 total career rebounds.



*Dutchwoman Tara Ruhl steals the ball.*

## Wrestling (2-13, 1-6 MAC)

Junior grappler Ted Kemmerling (24-3) reeled off 19 straight wins to start the season. He ended the season by tying Rich Kichman '86 as the school's highest finisher in the NCAA Division III Wrestling Championships. Kemmerling, from Pine Grove, finished 4th at the NAAs on March 6-7, becoming the 5th Dutchman to earn All-American wrestling honors.

During the regular season, Kemmerling placed 1st (150 pounds) at both the King's College Monarch Tournament and at the LVC Gerald Petrofes Tournament.

Junior co-captain Larry Larthey (177 pounds), son of head coach Lawrence Larthey '72, had a strong season, finishing second on the team with 16 victories. Larthey was followed in the win category by sophomore William Skretkowiez's (275 pounds) 13 wins.

## Men's and women's indoor track & field

Sophomore All-American Ann Musser earned the women's Most Outstanding Athlete Award at the MAC Indoor Track and Field Championships, held February 28 in the Arnold Sports Center.

Musser, from Womelsdorf, had a throw of 13.11 meters (43-0 1/4) in the shot put, smashing the MAC record. She also holds MAC outdoor records in the shot and discus. Musser has captured four MAC gold medals, two indoors (shot) and two outdoors (shot and discus).

At the NCAA Division III Championships in March, Musser placed 5th in the shot put, throwing 13.19 m (43-3 1/4), her fifth school record, and earning All-America honors. Having placed 8th at the 1997 outdoor national championships in the discus, Musser becomes the first two-time All-American in track and field for Lebanon Valley.

Seven other Flying Dutchmen earned MAC gold medals. Richard Hopf, a junior, defended his title in the men's high jump, clearing 6-6, and Jacob Tshudy, a senior, cleared 13-6 in capturing the pole vault, which he also won in 1995. Jana Romlein, a freshman, captured the women's 55-meter hurdles, running a 9.14 in the finals after setting a school record of 9.05 in the preliminaries. The men's 800-meter relay also struck gold in 1:36.81, with juniors Matthew Franks and Robert Dekle, sophomore Darnell McKenzie and senior Stephen Raab earning the top prize.

## Men's Basketball

(20-8, 9-5 MAC, ECAC South Champions)

Coach Brad McAlester guided the men to a 20-win season and 3 tournament championships in 1997-98.

Junior tri-captains Andy Panko, Dan Strobeck and Joe Terch controlled the game when necessary, while sophomore starters Dan Pfeil and Keith Phoebus took over on occasion, as did freshman Steven Horst. Mark Wisler, the lone senior on the squad, provided mature leadership.

The team missed out on the MAC Commonwealth League title in the most exciting game of the season. The Dutchmen went to double overtime with Albright before succumbing. Unfazed, LVC plowed through Allentown in the first round of the MAC playoffs before losing in the semifinals to D-III Final Four participant Wilkes.

During the regular season Lebanon Valley won the championship trophies for the *LVC Rinso Marquette Invitational*, the *Sponaugle Classic at Franklin & Marshall* and the *ECAC South Region Championships* held at Lynch Hall.

## Men's and Women's Swimming

(1-8, 1-7 MAC; 1-9, 1-8 MAC)

First-year head coach Mary Gardner took over the reins not long before the season began and developed the two teams into MAC competitors.

Highlights of the season include a double win at FDU-Madison. The men touched out a three-point victory (51-48) behind the strokes of seniors Mike Huang and John Schmidt, sophomore Damon Davis and freshman David Keiser. The women skipped the drama and turned a 13-13 tie into a 118-68 decision.

The women lose just three seniors from the squad and should return stronger than ever next season. Veterans Shannon Jarmol, Daria Kovarikova, Stacy Lavin and Wendy Warner give way to a youthful corps that feature junior Melanie Good; sophomores Carrie Clinton, Kristina Haines, Katie Riddle, Danielle Tucker and Kara Nagurny; and freshmen Janel Dennis, Shannon Feather, Janet Kennedy, Jessica Kindt, Amy Lyons and Leah Sernoffsky.

Feather turned in LVC's top mark in the MAC Championships with a 12th-place finish in the 100-yard breaststroke.

Lavin, Jarmol, Kovarikova, Good, Nagurny and Clinton were all named to the MAC All-Academic Team in March.

# Science for GENERATION

# Next

By Nancy Fitzgerald

Deep within every cell of the human body, inside the nucleus, is the long, tightly coiled strand that stores the genetic code for the entire organism. It's called deoxyribonucleic acid — DNA. It's the master plan that directs the activities of the whole body and it's a fingerprint for every single human being — nobody's DNA is exactly the same as anybody else's.

Rich Benz talks about DNA for a living. A biology teacher and chairman of the science department at Wickliffe High School in Wickliffe, Ohio, he's been known to use everything from a fluorescent ceiling light to a Slinky toy to help explain the principles of DNA to the young people in his classes. So when the issue of DNA came up during the O.J. Simpson trial a couple of years back, Benz paid attention. And when the jury failed to convict in spite of the DNA evidence, Benz was concerned. "The DNA evidence was legitimate, and the experts spent lots of time trying to explain it. But when it came right down to it, it looked like the scientific evidence was ignored."

Whatever your opinions on the controversial O.J. Simpson trial, Benz's concern raises an important point. "Science literacy is a critical issue," he insists. "That means you can pick up a newspaper and understand the reports on the deadly ebola virus, or know what your doctor means when you hear that you have bacterial pneumonia, or reach an informed opinion on human cloning or global warming. It means you can weigh the scientific evidence when you are called to serve on a jury. It goes beyond being prepared for the workplace — although that's also critical — to acting as a responsible citizen in a democracy."

Yet when it comes to mastering the basics of science, American students lag far behind their counterparts

**LVC's new Master's in Science Education is helping teachers prepare a new generation of scientifically savvy kids, ready to make their way in tomorrow's global village.**

around the globe. In 1991, when the Educational Testing Service conducted its International Assessment of Educational Progress (IAEP) of 13-year-olds, American middle-schoolers placed thirteenth out of 15 nations in science. More recently, in the Third International Math and Science Study, released in June 1997, American 8th graders did worse than those in every other major industrialized nation, including Japan and Germany. "As a science educator, I take those reports very seriously," says Benz, who serves on the standards-setting committee of the National Assessment of Educational Progress, which is helping to establish guidelines for the US Department of Education, as well as on state standards committees. "Being thirteenth affects all our children, when they try to get into the same college as kids from abroad, or compete for jobs in the global marketplace. This is important to everybody."

It's an issue that's especially important here at Lebanon Valley, where a brand-new master's-level program has been introduced to help teachers educate, inspire, and excite new generations of young scientists — and future citizens. It came about, pretty much, because one fifth-grade teacher found out — entirely by surprise — how

much fun science can be. And she wanted other teachers, and other fifth-graders, to share in the excitement.

"When I got excited about teaching science, it was sort of like a religious conversion," explains Marla Jones, interim director of the master's program. "I wanted to share that excitement with other teachers. But I found that there weren't many programs to help prepare teachers to go out and teach science — in Pennsylvania, there are only four in the whole state, and none of them are in this area."

So Jones teamed up with LVC biology professor Allan Wolfe. It didn't take much convincing, since Wolfe had been going into the local elementary schools for the past 20 years, providing classroom science experiences and short summer courses through the Parents' Committee for Learning Enrichment.

The result is the newly created master's degree program in science education, which debuted the fall 1997 semester and currently enrolls 26 students. The program is targeted toward teachers who are out in the trenches, working in elementary and junior high schools, and who want to learn ways to help their kids get their hands dirty and do science — not just hear about it. And for that to happen, teachers also





*Coursework in the master's of science education program includes a lot of hands-on practice. On a recent field trip to Quittie Park, acting program director Marla Jones (right) and her students explored various elements in nature which can be included in a teaching unit on the ecosystem.*

have to overcome some negative perceptions — from administrators, parents, and sometimes, even the kids themselves.

"There are all these obstacles out there about why you can't do science," Jones explains. "It's too expensive, it's messy, it's time-consuming. Well, here teachers learn how they can do science — and it's not so complicated after all. Last week, we learned how to put together a lab kit that contains some borax and some Elmer's glue — you literally just add water and your kids find out all about chemical change. It doesn't take very long, and it costs practically nothing."

## Let's Find Out

It's that can-do, let's-find-out attitude that is the stuff of science, and it's also the backbone of Lebanon Valley's newest academic program. Jones first conceived the idea back in 1994, shortly after arriving at Lebanon Valley as the director of the Science Education Partnership, which provides support and teaching materials to elementary

and middle-school teachers in a six-county radius. She'd already received a master's degree in science education from Clarion University, and she knew what a difference it made in her own fifth-grade classroom at Lawnton Elementary School in the Central Dauphin district. Wouldn't it be great, she thought, to have a program like that offered closer to home? So after enlisting Wolfe's support, the two went to work — like good scientists — doing a bit of research to test their hypothesis: that if Lebanon Valley offered a science education program for working teachers, people would come.

Jones and Wolfe sent out questionnaires to some 3,000 teachers in more than six surrounding counties, and the overwhelmingly positive response showed that there was enough interest out there to get the program started. Brand-new this academic year, the program requires 24 hours of coursework, as well as a six-credit research thesis and a comprehensive written exam. Classes are offered during the fall,

spring, and summer semesters, so students can plan to complete the degree requirements in three years.

Instruction — which is almost entirely of the hands-on variety — includes courses such as Principles of Physical Science, which uses chemistry concepts to make connections to everyday substances, establishing chemistry as an integral part of life. Other offerings introduce teachers to microscopy, fill them in on recent advances in science, and help them make the connections between science and technology and emerging ethical issues. Although the program is targeted to those with undergraduate degrees in elementary education, applicants with secondary science teaching degrees are also considered.

But all that seems kind of — well, academic. To find out what the program is really about, we visited a classroom recently, to watch some of the instructors of future scientists in action. Deep in the recesses of the Garber Science Center, Marla Jones holds forth over a space that's part lab-



oratory, part practice classroom, part teacher's lounge, as students recount the results of last week's assignments — a carefully recorded observation of the changes caused by sunlight on strings of colored beads — share teaching tips, and dig into tonight's lesson. By the time the evening's over they've learned to make recycled paper from old newsprint, and they've come up with some interesting ways to integrate the recycling experiment with social studies issues and language arts.

This course — Science Education in the Elementary/Middle-School Classroom — serves as a model for the teacher-students to take back with them to their own schools, as participants go about the sometimes-messy business of asking "How come?" and learn that it's OK to not always know all the answers.

"Teachers think they have to be the givers of all knowledge," says Jones. "They worry about not knowing the answers to all their students' questions about science. But here they learn that they don't have to know it all. They learn to say to their kids, 'Let's go find out together.' That's what scientific inquiry is all about." On a recent Wednesday evening, half a dozen teachers became students again, asking questions that lead them to their own discoveries.

## Discovery Zone

In two's and three's, Jones's students are hard at work, absorbed in their tasks, employing pans of water, sheets of plastic needlework canvas, a kitchen blender, and a couple of paper clips as they transform soggy old newspapers into crisp new writing paper. Jones is scurrying from one group to the next, checking on progress, offering words of advice. "As students are working on an experiment, I like to walk around and take notes of their comments," says Jones. "It's a good lesson in observation, and it helps students figure out whether or not they let their expectations cloud their results. They can do that with their own students, too. It's a good way to keep track of who's on task, who's participating, who's observing. It can be a very worthwhile tool, when you read back their comments later on."

The students she's observing are a disparate group. There's Jane Watts, a

seventh-grade life science teacher at Cedar Crest Middle School in Lebanon, who grew up out in the country, surrounded by nature. "We were always doing outdoor things," Wyatt recalls. "I remember helping my grandma collect and dry wildflowers."

Alongside her is Betsy Kreider, a self-proclaimed mall rat, whose knowledge of botany may have been gleaned from the potted plants outside The Gap, but who now finds herself living in a farmhouse and helping her first-graders make connections between science and literature. "This course has been wonderful," says Kreider, who works in the Eastern Lebanon County school district. "I've used every single assignment with my kids. They always know when I've been to class because we do something fun in school the next day."

Charles Harley is a 28-year teaching veteran who works at a junior high school in the Boyerstown school district, an hour and a half from Annville; Fong Ho, a recent graduate of Penn State Harrisburg is a long-term substitute teacher in Susquehanna Township. Margie Hall is a special-ed teacher in the Cornwall-Lebanon district, who sees the hands-on nature of science as tailor-made for the needs of special-ed kids.

And then there's Crystal Egan, who isn't even a teacher — but thinks she might like to be. Egan, who's part of LVC's computer services user support team, has a degree in animal biology but discovered the fun of teaching science when she became a mom. "I've been teaching my daughter science since day one," she says. "I've found that I enjoy taking technical terms and relating them to human terms, and showing my six-year-old that science is cool. People don't realize how much science is linked with everyday activities."

## Working Connections

More and more, science is also linked to our lives at work — whether or not we call ourselves scientists. "Competence in science is important in so many disciplines," says Terry Peterson, counselor and senior advisor to U.S. Secretary of Education Richard Riley. "Problem solving is central to science — setting out your problem and coming up with a hypothesis. That

kind of scientific method is central to all kinds of jobs, from working on a production line, to working in an accounting firm, to working in any of the health fields. Even if your career isn't directly related to science, there are more and more jobs that require scientific skills — all workers, for example, have to be able to analyze data. And with self-directed teams and flattened layers of bureaucracy, you have to be able to solve problems on your own, not wait for the answers to come down from on high."

But a scientifically literate workforce won't just happen, insists Peterson. "To get people to this level of proficiency, you have to start at the elementary level and build up science skills from there. And to do that, you need good teachers — and there's certainly not an oversupply of well-trained science teachers."

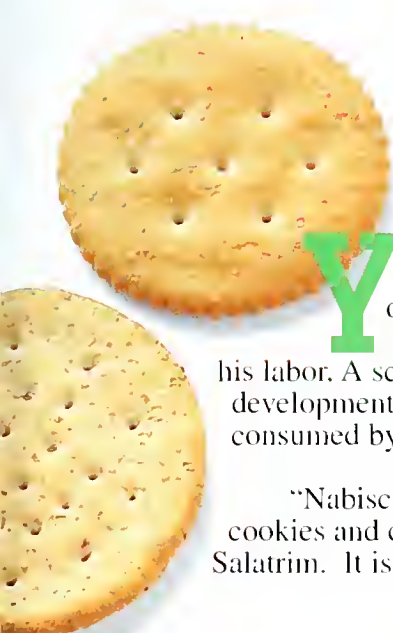
And that's what Lebanon Valley's effort is all about — sending well-trained teachers out into the front lines to fire up a new generation of inquiring minds. "Our experience with the Science Education Partnership has convinced us that elementary teachers are eager to learn science, and that they can do and interpret science," says Dr. Alan Wolfe, chairman of the biology department and director of the Master's program. "They've returned to their schools and convinced their students that science can be fun. Many of our first students in the Master's program are these newly converted science enthusiasts, who have evolved from uninterested "science-phobes" to knowledgeable "science-enthusiasts" — and knowledgeable, enthusiastic teachers produce excited, interested students, no matter what the subject area."

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# Reducing the Fat of the Land

By Robert Smith




**Y**ou probably don't know Ronald Yarger '69, but chances are you've tasted the results of his labor. A scientist for Nabisco, Yarger is involved in the development of low-calorie triglyceride fats, the "secret ingredients" in reduced-fat foods consumed by health-conscious snackers the world over.

"Nabisco has had a major program for about seven years, developing low-calorie fats for cookies and crackers," explains Yarger, who was part of the team that helped develop Salatrim. It is an ingredient also used in products like granola bars, Life Savers, and Hershey's low-calorie chocolate drops.




Yarger came to Lebanon Valley as a chemistry major — but he also brought along his love of music. He was active in the marching band, the pit orchestra, and Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia. "I still play the flute, and enjoy it immensely," says Yarger, who leads a flute ensemble and frequently plays at his church. "It's never quite left me."

But science, it seems, was his first love. During the tumultuous days of the 1960s and early 1970s, as the Vietnam War raged, Yarger chose to keep his distance as he pursued his scientific studies. "Certainly on campuses all around the country there were lots of discussions and demonstrations about the war," he recalls. "But I didn't participate much. I found security in doing the chemistry and science in the laboratory and hoped I wouldn't be called."



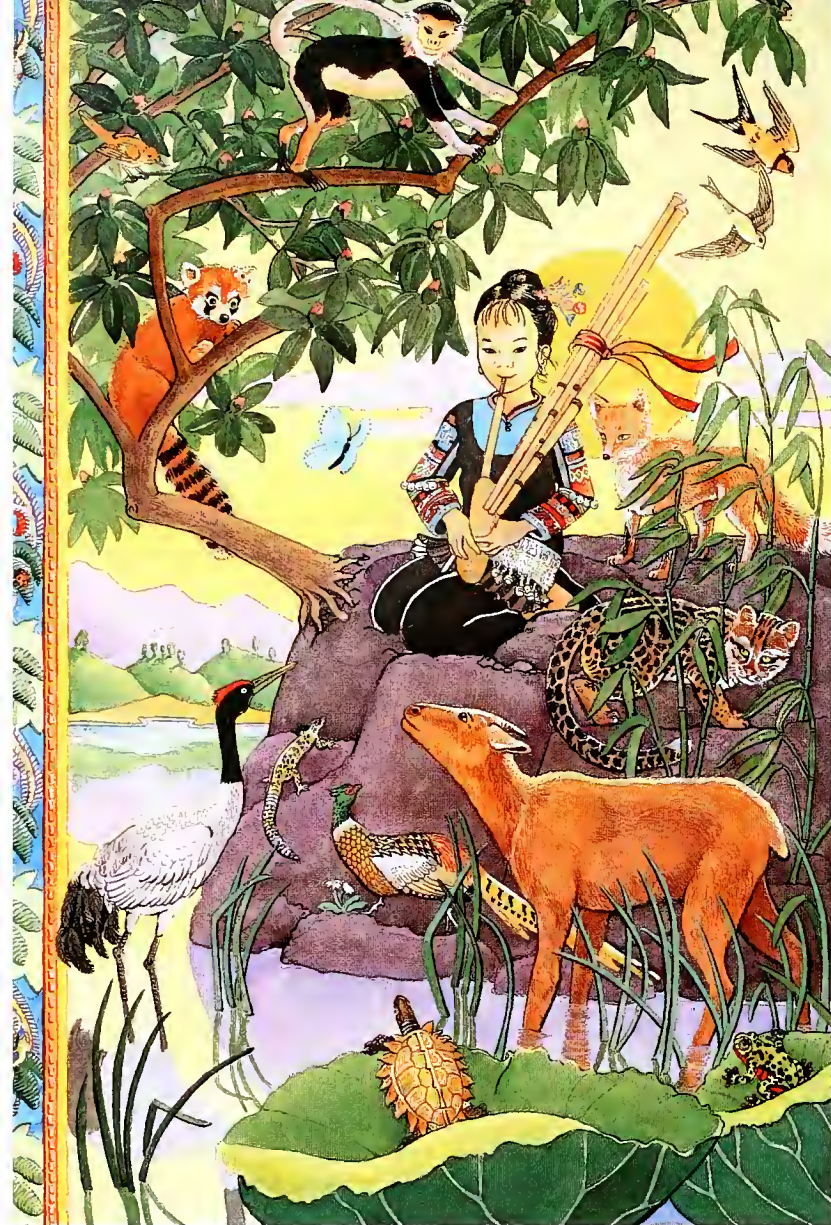
As it turned out, Yarger had spent his undergraduate days wisely. A high lottery number spared him from the draft, and after graduating from Lebanon Valley, he enrolled at Syracuse University, where he earned his Ph.D. After two years of postdoctoral work at the University of Pennsylvania, Yarger spent 12 years as a research chemist for General Foods. In 1988 he landed a position at Nabisco, where he's been ever since. One of his projects was evaluating the use of Olestra, the zero-calorie fat used in some chips and other snack foods.



Yarger, who lives in Madison, New Jersey, with his wife Sharon, now finds himself moving away from laboratory, or "bench," work, and into product development. "I'm learning how to make these ingredients on a grand scale by visiting plants and working with other manufacturers." And though he won't reveal any trade secrets, he will say that he's now hard at work on another ingredient, a low-calorie carbohydrate. "It is," he predicts, "the next wave of research in the food industry."

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*The Call* (unpublished)

“In the first grade, I got into trouble for drawing faces into the alphabet letters,” she remembers. Now, Cheryl Kirk Noll does more than add faces to the printed word — she gives it life.



*Harriet Tubman, a biography* © Abrams & Co., 1994

*The Crane Wife* © Steck-Vaughn, 1998







# Educating through Art

By Thomas Epler

**H**ow many of us can say that we've made a career out of something that used to get us into trouble? Cheryl Kirk Noll '72, a successful artist and educator, may be unique in this distinction. Noll, a resident of Providence, Rhode Island, remembers admonitions from more than one schoolteacher for her unsolicited doodling. Now she has just completed illustrating what she describes as one of her most inspired works, *The Crane Wife* (Steck-Vaughn, 1998). This 24-page children's book, which recounts the journey of a man and his discovery of an ailing crane, was a joy for its illustrator.

Parents and waiting-room patients may recognize Noll's work in *Highlights for Children*, and will join teachers in recalling her useful illustrations in *The Ben Franklin Book of Easy & Incredible Experiments* (John Wiley & Sons, 1995) as well as *Where is Thumbkin?* (Gryphon House, 1993).

Multicultural themes recur throughout Noll's work. She has illustrated a biography of Harriet Tubman and done Micmac Indian and Japanese folktales. In 1995, she illustrated the series, *Our Global Village Cultural Teacher Resource Guides* for Canada, Turkey, and South Korea (Milliken Publishing).

The child of a school superintendent, she grew up knowing the value of consciously expanding one's own worldview, and is sharing that knowledge with her teaching degree from LVC – most recently, through work with the "Artist-in-Residence" program of the Rhode Island State Council for the Arts.

Now in her fourth year with the program, she leads groups of children in appreciating art, while teaching illustration as a "process" – from the need for an artist's work, through its research, development of a point of view, and completion of the actual work.

"Freelancing has its advantages," she notes, "such as a degree of independence," which allows for flexibility and time with her 13-year-old son, Philip.

A native of Delaware, Noll found Lebanon Valley to be the "perfect place—very nurturing," a place where she met people who would remain important to her throughout her life. Just ask former roommate Dr. Stephanie Milkowicz Kirk '72, who married her brother Andy. Or her friend Lydia Kauffman Schnetzka '72, with whom she still shares enthusiasm for family and education.

Mrs. June Herr '34, professor emeritus of education, was "one of those dedicated teachers who taught you how to teach by example," remembers Noll. "Professor Herr saw teaching as a noble profession." She adds that Herr has had a profound influence on her own teaching.

The college also gave her the latitude to pursue her interest in art by encouraging her to design an independent study that allowed her to creatively fulfill her education requirements. Among other things, she explored the "subjects" of her dorm in charcoal drawing. "I also did the life-sized portraits that came to life for Gilbert and Sullivan's *Ruddigore*," she remembers fondly. She'd sometimes tote a sketchbook around campus in those days – and a lot of her former classmates are lurking in its yellowing pages.

So where does she get such inspiration today? She's no stranger to research – the local librarians in Providence know her by name. But "life underfoot" – what's around her, while she's working – adds flavor to her ever-developing talent.

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Cheryl Kirk Noll in her studio.





September 29, 1940  
Dear Diary,  
This said that I  
the worms. I do  
Betty were  
when they were  
morning and  
all they sang  
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to get some  
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time, "H"  
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Another second  
beam and then  
home. One little

# LEBANON VALLEY





# Family Ties

West Hall provided a home-away-from-home for these former residents who forged bonds that have lasted a lifetime

By Nancy Fitzgerald

Buckingham Palace it definitely was not. West Hall, sitting on the corner of Sheridan Avenue and White Oak Street, was a bare-bones, no-frills dormitory — a two-story frame house with eight bedrooms, a single bathroom, and a parlor whose main attraction was a radio.

But it was a remarkable place nonetheless, a home-away-from-home to a generation of Lebanon Valley College women whose friendships have endured some fifty-odd years, from the tail end of the Depression into the



Ready to face the world from the front porch of West Hall are, second from left to right, Grace Geyer Aston '39, Mabel Jane Miller '41, Audrey Fox '39, Frances Prutzman Kauffman '41, and Dorothy Yeakel Horn '39. Joining them is a visitor from another dorm, far left.

early years of World War II, and through the twists and turns of a few dozen lifetimes. West Hall is long gone, knocked down around 1949 to make room for Lynch Gymnasium, but still the dorm's alumnae keep coming together, year after year, to talk about old times and share new experiences.

"I think the reunions started even before I graduated in 1940,"

says Esther Wise Hovis. "But I know that just about every year since then, we've met at one of our homes, or at a restaurant, just to touch base with one another. Looking back, everything at West Hall was very meager compared to college dorms today, but we were such a small group — there were only fifteen of us living there — and we all got along so well. We really enjoyed doing things together. We were more than just friends — I think we've always felt more like cousins to one another."

That spirit of kinship brought six of the West Hall alumnae to Lebanon Valley on a recent early autumn day. And over coffee and dessert they did what cousins always do — trade stories, share laughs, and bring each other up to date on the ups and downs of their lives. The conversation revealed a college that seems in many ways quaint and old-fashioned but that sent some thoroughly modern women out into the world.

West Hall came fully equipped with a species unknown to today's college student — a house mother — along with a rigid policy of curfews. "I remember the time my friends sent me out to Hot Dog Frank's to get them some franks," recalls Hovis. "It was after hours, so to get back in, somebody had to pull me through a window, and I thought I was safe — until the house mother smelled the hot dogs and I ended up going before the jigger board," the college's disciplinary committee.

But even the house mother was included in the Sunday-evening tea parties that residents took turns hosting in their rooms. "We would serve whatever we'd been sent from home that week, or whatever we could find — sometimes it was just peanut butter crackers," recalls Peggy Boyd Fauber '41. "We'd talk about everything that was going on and find out what was happening with all our friends." And they recorded their Sunday-night meetings for posterity in notebooks that they've saved to this day — offering a glimpse into life at the College and the world beyond in the late 1930s and early 1940s.

College life was a far more formal affair than it is today, with meals at North Hall served on linen tablecloths, and compulsory chapel services where places were assigned and empty seats were conspicuous. And extracurricular activities were especially popular — not only for their intellectual and social possibilities, but because they allowed female students to stay out past their usual seven-o'clock weeknight curfew. "There was the German Club, and *La Vie*, and the Green Blotter Society," explains Martha Davies DeHaven '42. "That was the literary society — we would write stories and poems and read them at meetings. And I was editor of *La Vie* my senior year."

Sports — then as now — were a great way for students to unwind after a long day of classes, and women could choose between intercollegiate field hockey and basketball, as well as intramural games between the dormitories. “We all had to play just to get a team together,” says Hovis, an avid athlete who’s passed her genes down to her grandson Matt White, now a rookie pitcher for the Tampa Bay Devil Rays expansion team. “And Miss Henderson, the phys-ed teacher, would take us to Philadelphia to see the



*Martha Davies DeHaven '42 and Phoebe Geyer Etter '42 grab their books and head for classes from the haven of West Hall.*

international teams, and to Hershey to see the Bears play.”

But some things never change. Coursework was rigorous, and standards — as well as expectations — were high. DeHaven, who with classmate Bob Dressler was one of Lebanon Valley’s first-ever psychology majors, also majored in English, history, and French. “I wanted to get my money’s worth out of my college education,” she explains simply. “We were expected to do well at a time when most women were expected to marry and have families. Being at Lebanon Valley, in the late 1930s, was one of



*Marquerite Martin chats with Mary Gillespie, the ever exacting Music Department chair.*

the few times I felt equal, when I felt that everything was available to me.”

The women of West Hall took that spirit to heart and ran with it long after graduation. DeHaven went on to earn

a degree as a registered nurse from St. Luke’s in New York City and made a career in nursing administration and teaching. Hovis, a music major who discovered that nothing in life could ever be quite as difficult as pleasing music department chair Mary Gillespie, taught elementary school music in Franklin County for some thirty years. Grace Geyer Aston ’39 also enjoyed a thirty-year career teaching music, retiring recently from her position in Hummelstown; Margaret Boyd Fauber ’41 enjoyed a 25-year elementary school teaching career in Manheim.

Frances Prutzman Kauffman ’41, an English and German major and Latin minor, taught intermittently while bringing up a family of five. And English major Edith Metzger Booser ’39 forged a volunteer career that’s still going strong. As president of the Interfaith Housing Board in Middletown, she helped establish a 126-unit senior citizen housing complex and set up an adult day-care program; now she’s hard at work trying to build an indoor community swimming pool — she’s already obtained a \$25,000 grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation as part of their Faith in Action program.

The West Hall alumnae are grateful to the college for a lot of things. “We knew everybody there,” says Fauber, “and our education gave us a wonderful foundation.” Aston agrees that the personal touch was a meaningful ingredient of her college years. “All of our classes were small, and we were together all the time — that really

helped.” But when you ask these women, some fifty years after their graduation, what was the best thing that Lebanon Valley College gave them, Esther Wise Hovis speaks for her dorm-mates and “cousins” when she answers without a moment’s hesitation: “They gave us West Hall.”



*Six faithful West Hall alumnae gather for their yearly mini-reunion at Kreiderheim, fall 1997. Top: Frances Prutzman Kauffman '41, Peggy Boyd Fauber '41, Edith Metzger Booser '39, Bottom row: Martha Davies DeHaven '42, Grace Geyer Aston '39, Esther Wise Hovis '40.*



## New faces

**Dr. Stephen C. MacDonald**, who replaces retiring Dr. William McGill as dean of the faculty and vice president for academic affairs on July 1, brings superb credentials to the job.

Currently associate dean of Dickinson College, he joined Dickinson in 1988 and has worn many hats. He has directed and taught in the Freshman Seminar Program, overseen international efforts in curriculum and faculty development, promoted teaching effectiveness through the college's Teaching Center Without Walls, directed the summer school program, developed and written grant proposals, and served as affirmative action officer.

From 1983-88, MacDonald was director of the Central Pennsylvania Consortium, where he developed and administered collaborative inter-



institutional programs for students, faculty and administrators at Dickinson, Franklin & Marshall and Gettysburg colleges.

He has also taught history at the University of Maine at Fort Kent,

Lynchburg College in Virginia and the University of Virginia.

He received a *magna cum laude* bachelor's degree in history from Tufts University and was named to Phi Beta Kappa. He earned a Ph.D. from the University of Virginia in modern European history.

Between 1962-65, MacDonald served in the United States Army with tours in Vietnam and Okinawa, Japan.

He is the author of *A German Revolution: Local Change and Continuity in Prussia, 1918-1922* (New York: Garland Press, 1991) and a number of journal articles. He has also served as a consultant on international programs, writing programs and freshman seminar programs for several universities and colleges.

**Virginia K. Hand** has been appointed director of the Lancaster Center, replacing Barbara Denison. Hand served as an adjunct lecturer in psychology at



Alvernia College, and, before relocating to Pennsylvania, served as director of continuing education at St. Thomas Aquinas College in Sparkill, New York. She completed a

bachelor's degree in liberal arts and sciences as an adult student at St. Thomas Aquinas and a master's in counseling from Long Island University.



**Ann Hess Myers** has been named director of Annual Giving. She comes from Dickinson College, where she was associate director of college relations in the division of external

affairs. She holds a bachelor's degree from Kenyon College.



**Kelly Alsedek** is the college's new director of publications, replacing Jane Paluda. She was formerly director of publications at Dickinson College, and also served as assistant director of

public relations at Gettysburg College. She is an award-winning designer who holds a bachelor's degree in biology with an art minor from Gettysburg College. She has also studied art, art history, graphic design and advertising at Penn State University and the York Academy of Art.



**Brian Lemma** has been named loan coordinator for the financial aid office. He was formerly employed by the Pennsylvania Osteopathic Medical Association as public relations

/public affairs coordinator, and holds a bachelor's degree from Elizabethtown College.

**Julia Harvey** has been appointed technical services librarian, replacing Alice Diehl, who retired in December. For the last seven years, Harvey served as coordinator of OCLC and Information Services at PALINET, a library network consortium in Philadelphia. She holds a bachelor's degree from Cedar Crest College and master's degrees in library science from Drexel University and in educational administration from Rider College.



**Joseph R. Dillon Jr.** has been named assistant director of Media Services. A 1997 graduate of Lebanon Valley, he previously was employed as a freelance audio engineer for Fox Sports, Disney and

the Kennedy Center.

**Robin Moyer** has joined the advancement staff as a part-time development assistant. She is a 1997 graduate of Lebanon Valley and worked in the annual giving office during her four years as a student.

## New titles

**Carolyn Lauver** has been appointed director of development. Lauver joined the college in 1992, and has served as the director of annual giving, the associate director of development, and as the acting director of development. Her new responsibilities include

managing the overall development operation, which encompasses major gifts, planned giving, annual giving, research, and gift processing.

**Pamela Lambert '96** has been appointed assistant director of annual giving. Lambert has been with the college for 10 years, most recently serving in the annual giving position in an acting capacity. Her responsibilities include managing the phonathon, the senior class gift drive, and reunion giving.

## Joins the board

**John A. Synodinos**, president *emeritus*, has been named to the Board of Trustees. He was president of the college from 1988 to 1996.

## Research grant



The Exxon Foundation has awarded a \$5,000 research grant to **Dr. Carl Wigal**, associate professor of chemistry. The grant supports the efforts of Wigal's research group investigating the develop-

ment of new methodologies for the region-specific synthesis of quinone derivatives. Quinones are naturally occurring compounds found in all living systems. Synthetic derivatives of quinones are used as medicinal agents and antioxidants. The grant represents Exxon's continuing support of \$15,000 over the past three years for Wigal's efforts in undergraduate chemical research.

## Honored

**Dr. Dale Summers**, professor of education, received the Student Council Award for Teaching during the Founders Day ceremony. This is the second year in a row that he has been recognized by students for excellence in teaching.

In addition, **Alpha Phi Omega — Nu Delta** received the President's Award on Founders Day. The coed service fraternity was honored for contributing over 1,000 hours of service to both the college and the community.

## Math whiz

**Jason Lee '99**, a 17-year-old math and physics major from Malaysia, ranked 67th on the prestigious William Lowell Putnam Math Competition exam. He was among 2,510 people across the United States and Canada who took the test in December.

Those who know Lee aren't surprised. He scored a perfect 800 in math on the SAT test when he was just 15. His English score was 720, even though his native language is Malay. The *Harrisburg Patriot* featured Lee in a recent issue.

## Honorable mention



**Beth Paul '98**, a political science major, was named Honorable Mention in *USA Today's* ninth annual All-USA College Academic Team. She was chosen from a field of 1,194 students nationwide

and was one of 55 students to receive an honorable mention.

## Making the grade

**Dr. Barbara Vlasisavljevic**, associate professor of accounting, passed the Bar Exam after attending Widener University on a full scholarship and graduating fourth in her class. She began the three-year program at Widener in the fall of 1995, attended classes year-round and graduated in December of 1996. In addition to her studies at Widener,



she also attended the law school of the University of Geneva in Switzerland during the summer of 1996. Vlasisavljevic plans to use her law degree in her current tax practice.

**Chris Kortright**, campus security officer, has successfully completed the Pennsylvania Municipal Police Officer Act 120 certification course.

**Dr. Leon Markowicz**, professor of business administration, received an individualized Master of Arts in creative writing from Antioch College in Yellow Springs, Ohio. He completed the degree during his sabbatical last year.



**Marla Jones**, interim director of the master of science education program, has been accepted into the doctoral program at the Pennsylvania State University, University Park campus. Her area of study is curriculum and instruction, with a concentration in science education.

## Elected to serve

**Dr. Owen Moe**, professor of biology, was nominated and unanimously elected president of the Middle Atlantic Association of Liberal Arts Chemistry Teachers.

**Dr. Susan Atkinson**, professor of education, was re-elected to a two-year term on the Middle States Council for the Social Studies administrative board.

**Dr. Donald Kline**, assistant professor of education, has been elected to the position of 1998 vice president for the Pennsylvania Science Teachers Association.

**Dr. Arthur L. Peterson**, president of Lebanon Valley College from 1984-87, has been named president of the Center for the Study of the Presidency in New York.

## Quoted

**Dave Evans**, director of Career Planning and Placement, was quoted in a story in the *Los Angeles Times* entitled, "How to Handle the Thorny Problem of Modest Grades." The article also appeared in the *Dallas (Texas) Morning News*, the *Louisville (Kentucky) Courier-Journal*, and the *Allentown (Pennsylvania) Morning Call*.



## Campus writers

**Judy Pehrson**, executive director of college relations, had an op-ed piece published in the March 13 edition of *The Christian Science Monitor*. Entitled "Disgruntled Chinese Workers Miss the 'Iron Rice Bowl,'" the article was based on her observations as a Fulbright lecturer in China during the 1996-97 academic year.

**Dr. John Kearney**, professor of English, wrote an op-ed piece on the Middle East which was picked up by Scripps-Howard News Service and sent to 380 papers around the country.

**Dr. Salvatore Cullari**, chair of the Psychology Department, co-authored a



recently released textbook entitled *Foundations of Clinical Psychology*. The book is designed for senior undergraduate students or first-year graduate students in clinical psychology courses. Published by Allyn

and Bacon, the book includes chapters by Cullari and 15 other writers.

**Dr. Gary Grieve-Carlson**, professor of English, wrote reviews of Terri Meister's *Movement and Modernism: Yeats, Eliot, Lawrence, Williams, and Early Twentieth-Century Dance*; Janis Haswell's *Pressed Against Divinity: W.B. Yeats's Feminine Masks*; and Mark Richardson's *The Ordeal of Robert Frost: The Poet and His Poetics* for *Choice*. He has also written the entry on Charles Olson's poem, "The Distances," for Salem Press's *Masterplots II: Poetry*.

**Dr. Louis Manza**, assistant professor of psychology, is the senior author of a chapter in the *Handbook of Implicit Learning*, a recent scholarly text edited by Michael Stadler and Peter Frensch, and published by Sage Publications. The chapter, "Artificial Grammar Learning and the Mere Exposure Effect: Emotional Preference Tasks and the Implicit Learning Process," provides an overview of Manza's research, which focuses on unconscious cognition, conducted over the past four years. The chapter was co-authored by Diane Zizak

and Arthur Reber, both from Brooklyn College.

**Dr. David Lasky**, professor emeritus of psychology, and Samuel Mudd of Gettysburg College have written an article that will appear in the *Administration and Policy in Mental Health Journal* this fall. The study concluded that psychiatric patients' ratings of services can be valuable in the assessment and management of psychiatric services. The article was titled "Program Image Ratings of a Psychiatric Facility as a Measure of System Performance."

**Dr. Philip Oles**, assistant professor of chemistry, had a manuscript, "Fractional Factorial Experimental Design as a Teaching Tool for Quantitative Analysis," accepted for publication in the *Journal of Chemical Education*.

**Dr. Carl Wigal**, associate professor of chemistry, had a manuscript accepted for publication in the *Journal of Chemical Education* entitled "Determining the Authenticity of Gemstones Using Raman Spectroscopy." The work was co-authored by chemistry majors **Aaron Aponick '98**, **Emedio Marchozzi '96**, and **Cynthia Johnston '87**, adjunct professor of chemistry.

**Dr. Donald Byrne**, professor of religion and history, had a poem, "The Accountant's Daughter," accepted for publication in the spring issue of *West Branch* (Bucknell University). Four other poems, were published in the December issue of *The Magazine of Speculative Poetry*. The editors have nominated the latter poems for *The Pushcart Prize XXIII: Best of the Small Presses*.

**Song Wenwei**, visiting professor from Nanjing University, and **Judy Pehrson**, executive director of college relations, had articles published in the *University Forum on College English Teaching*, a Chinese education journal. Song's article was entitled "The Role of Optimal Input in Language Learning and Teaching," and Pehrson's was titled, "Integrating Language Skills Through a Journalism Course."

**Dr. Jaclyn Fowler-Frey**, director of academic services, published a refereed article entitled "Issues of Culture in the English as a Second Language Classroom" in the February issue of the PAACE Journal of Lifelong Learning.

## Busy artist

**Dan Massad**, artist-in-residence, spent two days in October as a visiting artist at the University of Oklahoma, lecturing on his own work and giving critiques on the work of graduate students in the School of Art. In addition, two of his pastels were in a show at the Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art ("Dramatic Realism: The New Baroque"). In April, he was featured in a solo exhibition at the Tatistcheff Gallery in New York.

## Presenters

**President David Pollick** served as a presenter for the Council of Independent College's Presidents Institute. Pollick led a session entitled "Fresh Approach to Helping Students Afford Tuition," with Samuel Speck, president of Muskingum College.

**Dr. Sharon Clark**, professor of management, taught a course entitled "Caring with Cultural Sensitivity" at the Governors School for Health Care, an annual program for 150 gifted high school seniors from throughout Pennsylvania. The five-week program was held at the University of Pittsburgh Medical School.

**Dr. Carl Wigal**, associate professor of chemistry, presented a paper entitled "Integration of Molecular Modeling into the Chemistry Laboratory Curriculum" at the 214th National Meeting of the American Chemical Society held in Las Vegas, Nevada. The paper was co-authored by **Dr. Richard Cornelius**, professor of chemistry, and **Jeffrey Raber '97**. Also attending the meeting was **Aaron Aponick '98**, a senior chemistry major, who also presented a paper entitled "New Methodology for Quinol Synthesis." This work was funded in part by the Exxon Education Foundation and the National Science Foundation.

**Dr. John Heffner**, chair of religion and philosophy, presented a paper, "Body, Soul, Mind, Spirit: Reframing the Mind-Body Problem" at Cabrini College. He served as one of the invited speakers for the symposium, "Body, Mind, Soul, Spirit: Religion and the Philosophy of Mind," sponsored by the American Catholic Philosophical Association's Philadelphia Chapter.

**Dr. Susan Atkinson**, professor of education, presented the workshop "Newspapers Aren't Just for Teaching Current Events Anymore" at the annual Pennsylvania Council for the Social Studies Conference.

**Dr. Salvatore Cullari**, professor of psychology, presented "Five-Year Follow-Up Study of Brief Residential Nicotine Treatment" at the American Society of Addiction Medicine in Minnesota.

**Dr. Donald Kline**, assistant professor of education, presented a session at the New Jersey Science Teachers Association state convention describing the use of concept mapping as an instructional design tool for teachers. In addition, he served as the registration liaison for the National Science Teachers Northeast Regional Convention in Pittsburgh.

**Dr. Richard Cornelius**, professor of chemistry, and **Dr. Carl Wigal**, associate professor of chemistry, attended the 31st Annual Meeting of the Middle Atlantic Association of Liberal Arts Teachers held in Maryland. Cornelius served as a moderator for a discussion session, "Teaching Chemistry Using Intranets and the Internet." Wigal was a presenter for a discussion group entitled "Molecular Modeling: What, Where, When and How Much?"

## Winning runners

Kudos to **Lisa Yingst**, campus security officer, and **Deb Simmons**, wife of assistant men's basketball coach Bob Simmons, who represented LVC proudly by finishing in the top 100 female finishers out of approximately 5,000 female runners in the 1997 Marine Corps Marathon. Despite poor weather conditions, their times qualified them for the Boston Marathon.

The race attracted over 15,000 runners, including Vice President Al Gore. Lisa and Deb also had their names printed in *The Washington Post*.

## GTE All-American

**Casey Iezzi '98**, a senior forward on the college's field hockey team, recently became the school's first member of the prestigious GTE Academic All-America



College Women's At-Large Team. She helped lead the LVC team to their second straight NCAA Final Four appearance and to their first Middle Atlantic Conference Championship since 1992. She excels in the classroom as well, and has made the Dean's List every semester and the MAC All-Academic Team four times. An English major, Iezzi is a three-time member of the NFCA National Academic Squad.

## Celebrating service

The following full-time employees celebrated a service anniversary or retirement in 1998:

Five Years: **Dorothy Brehm**, accounts receivable coordinator; **Judy Burger**, humanities secretary; **Terry Dundore**, facilities services personnel; **Candice Falger**, Science Education Partnership assistant; **Barry Hill**, director of music recording technology and assistant professor of music; **Peg Kauffman**, head coach of women's basketball; **Christopher Kortright**, security officer; **Charlene Kreider**, assistant to the vice president for advancement; **Ronnie Kulp**, facilities services personnel; **David Newell**, assistant dean of student services; **Susan Sarisky**, assistant director of admission; **Dr. Carl Wigal**, associate professor of chemistry.

10 Years: **Donald Boone**, associate professor of hotel management; **Donna Brickley**, computer services assistant; **Nancy Hartman**, accounts payable coordinator/bookkeeper; **Stella Jeronis**, facilities services personnel;

**G. Rosalyn Kujovsky**, secretary for the Chaplain's Office; **Pamela Lambert '96**, assistant director of annual giving; **Patricia Laudermitch '96**, assistant registrar; **Robert Leonard**, chair and associate professor of business administration; **George Lovell**, superintendent of facilities services; **Daniel McKinley**, director of freshmen programs; **Christine Reeves**, financial coordinator for gifts processing; **Dr. Barbara Vlaisavljevic**, associate professor of accounting; **Allen Yingst**, director of security and safety.

15 Years: **Dr. Howard Applegate**, professor and chair of history and American studies; **Dr. James Broussard**, professor of history; **Dr. Eugene Brown**, professor of political science; **Dr. Scott Eggert**, professor of music; **Dr. Dale Erskine**, professor of biology and director of Youth Scholars; **Dr. Michael Fry**, professor of mathematical sciences; **Ronald Good**, associate director of admission.

20 Years: **Irene Anspach**, facilities services personnel.

25 Years: **Dr. Owen Moe**, professor of chemistry; **Dr. Stephen Williams**, professor of biology; **Rosemary Yuhas**, dean of student services.

30 Years: **Dr. Allan Wolfe**, professor of biology.

Retirees: **Alice Diehl**, technical processes librarian;



**Richard Joyce**, associate professor of history;



**Dr. William McGill**, senior vice president and dean of the faculty.



**Mary Wyand Coblentz '15**, August 4, 1990. She was secretary to the Dean of Faculty, Hood College, Frederick, Md.

**Elizabeth Gallatin Snoke '18**, October 20, 1997. In 1921, she moved to the Washington area, where she worked first as a teacher at an elementary school in Chevy Chase and then as a salesperson at Woodward and Lothrop, Washington, D.C. She was the widow of the late **Dr. Hubert R. Snoke '20**.

**Dr. Oliver S. Heckman '22**, May 13, 1997. He retired to Sun City, Arizona in 1969 from Langhorne, Pa., where he was superintendent of the Neshaminy School District.

**Leroy H. Hain '26**, February 15, 1997.

**Sadie Daub Krumbine '27**, July 8, 1997. She was a retired school administrator, having been the principal of the South Lebanon Elementary School.

**Adam J. Dundore '28**, September 17, 1997. He had been the owner and operator of an Esso Servicenter in Lancaster, Pa. since 1937. He retired in 1971.

**Edith Catherine Light '29**, December 26, 1997. She was a retired payroll supervisor for Wagner Electric Inc., N.J.

**Emmeline Shaffer Miller '29**, November 1997. She was a public school teacher for 19 years and also served as a librarian. Her numerous activities included serving in the New Century Literary Club and United Methodist Women; she also worked as librarian for Stoneybrook United Methodist Church, Gahanna, Ohio, and served as the first woman president of the 300-member Westerville Historical Society. Her husband was **Rev. Millard J. Miller '28**.

## 30 NEWS

**Helen Hain Shearer '30** is a resident in Phoebe Berks Village, Wernersville, Pa.

**Winona Shroff Botello '36** and her husband, Salvador Botello, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on October 5, 1996.

## DEATHS

**Olive Morrow Dougherty '30**, November 1997.

**Rev. Harry W. Zechman '30**, July 29, 1997. He received a master's degree from Columbia University, New York, and an honorary doctorate of divinity from LVC in 1956. He served at the following Pennsylvania churches: Brunnerville United Methodist Church, Bethany United Methodist Church of Lebanon, Pine Grove United Methodist Church in Pine Grove, Derry Street Church in Harrisburg and the First United Methodist Church in Palmyra, where he had been pastor emeritus for 10 years before retiring in 1977.

**Naomi Shively Depuy '32**, September 16, 1997. She retired in 1973 after 30 years of teaching in the Chambersburg, Pa. Area School District.

**Almeda Meyer Horst '32**, January 25, 1998.

**Mary Goshert Reisinger '32**, November 17, 1997. She retired as an elementary music teacher from the Harrisburg School District.

**Ruth Coble Burkhart '33**, August 15, 1997. She was employed by the Lancaster School District for 37 years, where she was a fourth-grade teacher at Robert Fulton Elementary School. She later became a speech therapist with the district and retired in 1971.

**Claude R. Donmoyer '33**, November 24, 1997. He was a retired cost accountant with 30 years of service at Gilbert Associates, Reading, Pa. He was a life member of Covenant United Methodist Church, Lebanon, Pa., where he was a choir member for 60 years and held many church offices. In his earlier years, he held a national ranking in tennis and taught many area players. He was elected to the LVC Athletic Hall of Fame, the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame and the Central Chapter of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame.

**Albert A. Kaslusky '33**, July 19, 1997. He retired as an executive for Times Square Corp., Brooklyn, N.Y. His widow is **Haidee Blubaugh Kaslusky '34**, who retired as a librarian from the Brooklyn Public Library.

**Myrle Deaven McLaughlin '35**, December 29, 1997. She retired as a teacher from the Northern Lebanon School District, Fredericksburg, Pa. after 43 years.

**Clarence C. Aungst '38**, August 6, 1997. He was owner and operator of General Insurance Agency in Allentown, Pa., for 15 years and chairman of the Lehigh City Housing Authority for 25 years. He is survived by his wife, **Sara Light Aungst '37**, a daughter, **Judith Ano Aungst Freeman '64** and a son, **Scott L. Aungst '72**.

**Robert S. Black '38**, October 15, 1997. He was a supervisor at Hershey Foods Corp., Hershey, Pa.

**Violette Hoerner Diehl '38**, April 1996.

**Dorothy Zeiters Clippinger '39**, December 27, 1996. She was a retired music teacher from the Harrisburg Academy, Harrisburg, Pa. and was a member of the cello section of the Harrisburg Symphony Orchestra. She was the widow of **Robert S. Clippinger '39**.

## 40 NEWS

**Esther Wise Hovis '40** wrote to say that her grandson, Matt White, has signed to pitch with the new expansion baseball team, the Tampa Bay Devil Rays.

**Rev. William H. Jenkins '40** and his wife, Mary, celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary on July 19, 1997.

**Dr. Dorothy Landis Gray '44** was a guest conductor in October 1997 at LyonFest, Lyon College, Batesville, Ark., where she taught from 1946-'86. At the festival she directed a 100-voice choir

consisting of sixty alumni singers returning for a choir reunion, plus the members of the current college choir.

**Rev. Bruce C. Souders '44** has been elected to the Board of the Shenandoah Arts Council, Winchester, Va.

**Edward E. Stansfield '44** sings with the Barbershop keystone Capital Chorus, Harrisburg, Pa. The chorus won their division championship in 1997.

**Elizabeth Reiff Marino '46** traveled for 3 weeks in Italy, playing the viola by invitation in Tuscany in a castle with 13 others from California and New York.

**Dr. Carl L. Derr '47** and his wife, **Olive Reemsnyder Derr '49**, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with daughter, grandchildren and great-grandchildren in Texas.

**W. Jeanne Kitchen Winemiller '47** was honored by the National Honor Society of Crestview High School, Ashland, Ohio as a teacher who had influenced members during their 12 years as students. Recognized five times before, Jeanne had been a first- and second-grade teacher for 23 years in the school district. She has been retired for nine years.

**Dr. Michael K. Kurilla '48** is retired and lives in North Fort Myers, Fla.

**Paul O. Shettel '48** retired from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Labor and Industry, as a vocational rehabilitation counselor. He works part-time as a maintenance technician for Clabell Management Co., Lancaster, Pa.

## DEATHS

**Rev. Dr. Paul E. Horn '40**, November 23, 1997. He retired on June 30, 1980 from Stevens Memorial United Methodist Church, Harrisburg, Pa. where he served from 1973-80. From 1943-61, Paul served parishes in Scotland, Pa., Shippensburg, Pa., and Washington, D.C. In 1959, while serving in the latter parish, the congregation relocated to Silver Spring, Md., building a church that merited a citation from the Washington Board of Trade in its 20th Biennial Awards for Architecture. He was elected superintendent of the Pennsylvania Conference of the Evangelical United Brethren Church in 1961 and served until 1965. Paul then held the position of Susquehanna Conference superintendent from 1970-73. He received an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from Albright College in 1957 and was given a similar degree from LVC in 1966. He served as an LVC trustee from 1952-79. His late wife was **Dorothy Yeakel Horn '39**. He is survived by three daughters, two of whom are LVC graduates: **Mary Patricia Horn Nelson '70** and **Paula A. Horn Nichols '77**.



**N**otable literary efforts by Lebanon Valley alumni include two current books. **John Light '48** has written *An Infantryman Remembers World War II*, which recounts his experiences as a front-line soldier with the U.S. Army's 104th Infantry Division, the Timberwolves. The Annville native and retired Dickinson College professor fought in Europe from 1944 to 1945. Last year, he belatedly received a Silver Star for his heroism in saving wounded fellow soldiers during combat in Holland. The book is available at the Allen Theatre, Main St., Annville, Pa.

**Paul Fisher '47**, a retired professor of music at Millersville University, has recently completed the biography of the late **Edward P. Rutledge**, who served on Lebanon Valley's music faculty from 1931 to 1954. Rutledge, who lived at a time of rapid growth and development of musical education in American schools, contributed to the growth of LVC's music department. Fisher's work is a labor of love, a testimony to the man who was his teacher, mentor and friend. "He was a modest person," Fisher recalls, "yet always demanding of his students." Under Rutledge's direction, Lebanon Valley College saw the institution of the chorus, the band and the orchestra. He is remembered for his boundless energy and his devotion to the college. Fisher's book is available at the college bookstore.

# SPREADING THE WORD

Dr. Housman checks a child's eye at an ophthalmology clinic in Nigeria.



**L**ebanon Valley College has a long tradition of service, sending its graduates out into the world to use their gifts for the benefit of others. So it seems only natural that many alums should have taken that call to serve into missionary work, sharing their faith and putting their talents to work in far-flung corners of the globe. We tracked down four of LVC's missionaries and spoke to them about their work.

**Dr. Peggy Olver Johnson '75**, a United Methodist minister in Baltimore, says the seeds of her vocation were planted back in Annville, where she learned to appreciate music with all of her senses and came "to accept Christ as my savior. The religious roots of the college are the jewel of my education." Johnson has taken those discoveries and put them into practice in her life at the United Methodist Church of the Deaf, where she serves a congregation made up entirely of the hearing impaired and leads a choir whose members are "deaf as stones." It was through her ministry that Johnson learned of a deaf school in Kenya that needed some helping hands, and she and six of her parishioners rose to the challenge. In the fall of 1997 they traveled to the Kaaga School for the Deaf in Meru and the Njia School in Maua to get to know the people — and to learn their unique sign language. A follow-up group will return in July 1998 to teach Bible school, establish a deaf church, assist AIDS victims, and work on renovations to the schools' crumbling dormitories. "The children in Kenya are so impoverished," Johnson says. "They don't have much more than the clothes on their backs. But their spirit of life and joy are awesome. After being there, the world is a smaller place for me. I can't see the church as just us or our little building anymore."

When the teenaged **Lucille Esbenshade '41** heard the tales of church missionaries and the work they'd done in Africa during the 1930s, she knew that was the path she wanted to follow. So soon after her graduation from the Valley, where she majored in history, she headed to the Philippines, sent by the Evangelical United Brethren Board of Missions, to realize her dream. She spent five years teaching Oriental history and scripture in two secondary schools. "The conditions were rather primitive," she says. "I slept on a cot and cooked over an open fire. But the students were excellent. They were all planning to go into some profession where they could help people." After returning to the U.S. to earn a master's degree in religious education, she was sent back out on another five-year teaching stint, this time to Sierra Leone. Although health problems prevented her from further overseas mission work, Esbenshade went on to become a United Methodist minister — she was one of the first women ordained in 1968 — and has spent most of her career in churches in Indiana, where she's presently serving as interim pastor at a small congregation in Indianapolis. But her missionary days are happy — and inspiring — memories. "Some of the situations were difficult," she admits, "and some were wonderful. But on the whole it was a great experience."

**Rev. David Stum '66** arrived at the Valley with a calling to the ministry, and found a place that "nurtured my vocation." And though he hadn't thought about preaching the gospel in any place more exotic than Silver Spring, Maryland, where he's pastor of Good Shepherd United Methodist Church, God — working in the mysterious ways for which He is so widely renowned — seems to have had other plans. When Stum's wife, Sheila, an employee of the U.S. Agency for International Development, received a two-year post in Nicaragua, Stum found a way to join her while continuing his ministry. Through a program called *Si a la Vida* ("Yes to Life"), an inter-denominational project for street kids hooked on glue sniffing, Stum counseled troubled children and helped supervise dormitory renovations. "One thing these kids really needed was a healthy male role model," explains Stum, "and as much as anything I became a surrogate parent, showing them that there was somebody who cared about them. Working with them and teaching them some basic construction skills was a good way for that to happen." Stum worked for *Si a la Vida*, in Managua, from 1995 to 1996, and he took quite a lot back with him when he returned home. "The perspective I received in a third-world country is having a big impact on my present ministry," he says. "We're finding ways in our own church to get more involved in mission projects. The experience of taking a year out of the institutional church and serving the poor in the third world is invaluable."

**Dr. Harold Housman '51** is a man with a vision — and he's spent much of his life sharing it, quite literally, with those in need. After completing his medical studies at Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia, Housman went to Tanzania to serve his internship at a hospital run by the Eastern Mennonite Board of Misisions, where he stayed on for fifteen years. The depth and breadth of his training was remarkable. "We did everything ourselves," he says. "We couldn't pass a patient on to the next doctor." And one of the things he learned in the process was eye surgery, a specialty he decided to develop with further study at the Wills Eye Hospital, now a part of Jefferson. After finishing his three-year residency program he returned to Lancaster and practiced there for many years, but he never stopped thinking about going back to Africa. The chance came when he sold his practice in 1993 and headed off to Nigeria where, through the Christian Blind Mission, a German organization, he trained Nigerian general doctors to perform cataract operations — a critical service on a continent where some 18 million people are waiting to have cataracts removed. Housman worked in Nigeria for more than three years, returning to the U.S. in 1996. Looking back on his years at Lebanon Valley, he recalls a place that rigorously trained him in the sciences while encouraging his vocation to serve the church. "I remember Dr. Neidig in organic chemistry class saying, 'In human cells, there are thousands of chemical reactions going on at the same time — it makes you wonder where it all came from.' There was always a deep respect for great religious truths."



**George A. Katchmer '40**, October 28, 1997. George retired in 1969 as assistant professor of health and physical education at Millersville State College, Millersville, Pa., where he coached football and baseball for 15 years. Earlier, he had taught and coached at Cherry Tree and Newport high schools. In 1955, he coached Millersville to its first bowl game, the Rotary Bowl, held in Middletown. He organized the first Pennsylvania Dutch Bowl in 1970. Over the course of his career, George wrote four books and 20 magazine articles on football and basketball coaching and recruiting.

**Dr. Sterling H. Kleiser '40**, December 18, 1997. He was a retired dentist.

**Dr. Donald Haverstick '41**, June 27, 1997. He was a retired veterinarian.

**Isabel Shatto Hiebley '41**, April 17, 1997.

**Marion Snavelly Ellenberger '42**, November 4, 1997. She had been an elementary teacher at the Milton Hershey School for 41 years and at East Hanover Elementary School for four years.

**Katharine Jane Sherk McLaughlin '43**, July 9, 1997. She was a teacher at Susquehanna High School, Progress, Pa. She is survived by her daughter, **Dr. Patricia J. McLaughlin '74**.

**Dale A. Bruhaker '44**, June 2, 1997.

**Jeanne Waller Hoerner '45**, September 17, 1997. She was a former elementary and music teacher, who was married to **Richard J. Hoerner '44**.

**G. Harold Bucher '47**, August 10, 1997. A former trustee of LVC, he was retired from The Peoples National Bank of Lebanon as president and CEO.

**E. Peter Strickler '47**, October 14, 1997. He was president of Strickler Insurance Co., Lebanon and a former president of Washington Mutual Insurance. Peter was an LVC trustee emeritus and former treasurer of the college. He was former director of the Good Samaritan Hospital, Lebanon; a Navy veteran of World War II; a founding member of the Lebanon County Workshop; a director and past president of the Quality Inn; and a board member of Family and Children's Services, Northwest Bank, the YMCA, Boy Scouts of America, Lebanon County Industrial Corp. and the United Way. He was among the first group of recipients to receive an LVC Alumni Association Citation on June 1, 1968.

**Richard Graboyes '48**, December 3, 1996.

**Lee R. Thierwechter '51** serves on the Board of the Stewardship of Life Institute at the Lutheran Theological Seminary, Gettysburg, Pa. In November 1997, he completed teaching his third annual 10-week Pennsylvania German course at the Belleville Mennonite School, Mifflin County, Pennsylvania. Lee writes a weekly column entitled, "En Pennsilhaanisch Deitschi Schtimm," in the Pennsylvania German dialect for Mifflin County's newspaper, *The County Observer*. For the past three winters he has participated in the annual Evangelical Lutheran Church in America stewardship conference held in Chicago.

**Dr. Eugene F. Kobylarz '52** is self-employed as a dentist and lives in Brick, N.J.

**Adele "Mickey" Begg Lauder '52** is president of Glen Cove Women's Golf League and won low gross and longest drive awards to finish the season in Glen Head, N.Y. before driving south to Florida's east coast.

**Edgar D. Landis '53** retired as CDI's executive vice president of finance. CDI is a leading provider of broad-based outsourcing solutions, through technical and temporary staffing services and management recruiting, to a diverse blue-chip client base. Ed joined CDI in 1973 as vice president, becoming a director of the company in 1975 and executive vice president of finance in 1987.

**Betty C. Hungerford '54**, of Harrisburg, Pa., is the recipient of the Ernest R. McDowell Award for Excellence in Public Relations, presented December 11, 1997 by the Pennsylvania Public Relations Society, an organization of professional communicators established in 1950. The award has been presented annually since 1991 to an individual who has demonstrated excellence in the field of public relations over a sustained period of time and who has given unselfishly of his/her abilities to both the profession and the community. Betty joined the Society in 1969 and has held a number of leadership positions, culminating with her election as president in 1987. As past president of the LVC Alumni Association, she has held leadership positions in the Dauphin Unit and Pennsylvania Division of the American Cancer Society and in numerous other civic and charitable organizations.

**Dr. Anton F. Kiehner '55** retired as instrumental director of music, Conestoga High School, Ocean City, N.J. in 1990. He and his wife now live six months in Ocean City and six months in their motor home, with three of those months spent living in Mesa, Ariz. Since 1990, they have traveled to Greece, Turkey, Russia, the Baltic States, China, South America and Africa.

**Edith Werntz Taylor '55** has moved to Charlotte, N.C. to be near her only daughter, Susan, and her family.

**Clair L. Kelly '56** is employed by GQ Lawn and Landscape, Chambersburg, Pa.

**Rev. Richard David Leonard '56** is pastor of Salem United Methodist Church, Delta, Pa. He and his wife, Irene, have seven children: Elaine, Peter, Beth, Andrew, Joy, Joshua and Maryellen.

**Grace Gorbey Connell '57** is a part-time court officer at the Delaware County Courthouse, Media, Pa.

**Joan C. Conway '57** has been named artistic director of the Chamber Music Festival of Saugatuck and premiered "Interplay" by David Gillingham for piano/four-hands and orchestra.

**Robert J. Nelson '57** came out of retirement to be vice-president of Seihels Bruce Universal Insurance Co., Winston-Salem, N.C.

**Doris Kane Younken '57** is team leader for instrumental and vocal music, K-12, South Plainfield Public Schools, N.J. She is vocal music teacher for the South Plainfield Middle School.

**Dr. George G. Cunningham '58** is superintendent of schools, Maine School Administrative District #72, Fryeburg, Maine.

**Rev. Wayne V. Atwell '59** retired from the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of the United Methodist Church and was assigned as interim pastor of Green Hill United Methodist Church, Conestoga, Pa. He is also a volunteer chaplain with the Pastoral Care Department at St. Joseph Hospital, Lancaster, Pa.

**John W. Colangelo '59** retired recently as associate professor in the Music Department at Millersville University, Millersville, Pa.

**Ruth Anna Miller '59** is artist-in-residence at the Palmyra Public Library, Palmyra, Pa. She created a ship in conjunction with the Pennsylvania summer reading program, "Grab the Treasure: Be a Bookcrafter!" She holds a master's degree from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.

## DEATHS

**Miriam Keller Gottlieb '51**, May 30, 1997. **Ellen Gottlieb Snader '76** is Miriam's daughter.

**Roberta R. Bowman '53**, October 6, 1997. She was a secondary science teacher in the West Shore School District, Lemoyne, Pa.

**Donald J. Gingrich '54**, October 29, 1997. He retired on July 1, 1990 after 36 years as a music teacher in the Southeastern School District, Stewartstown, Pa. He also served as director of music at Stewartstown United Methodist Church for 32 years.

**Ronald L. Dietz '60** is in his 19th year as choral director of the York (Pa.) Symphony Chorus, and is currently

preparing Beethoven's Ninth Symphony for the spring season. He also performs as a singer with the chamber group, "Jubilate," Dillsburg, Pa.

**Stephen R. Waldman '60** retired after 36 years of teaching high school, middle school and college. He and his wife, Lenore, live in Boynton Beach, Fla.

**Rev. Dr. John C. Britcher '61** was recently awarded national certification as a criminal psychopathologist and doctoral addictions counselor by the National Board of Forensic Counselors. Subsequently he was named a diplomate by the same organization. He and his wife, Kim, were presenters at the 2nd Annual Washington State Domestic Violence Conference on the topic "Racism/Oppression of Korean Women Immigrants."

**Aglaia Stephanis Ahmed '62** is a physical therapist at the Cerebral Palsy Center, Ramsey, N.J.

**Dr. Joseph R. Hooper '62** retired from St. Vincent Medical Center as a cardiothoracic surgeon. He and his wife, Carolyn, live in Port St. Joe, Ind.

**Kay Steiner Kelbley '62** is director of Emergency Support Services for the Salvation Army, Dayton, Ohio.

**Doris Kohl Smith '62** retired from Bellmore Merrick Central High School, Bellmore, N.Y. after 22 years.

**Dr. James L. Beck '64** was named one of the "Top Docs" in cardiology in the May 1997 issue of *The Phoenix Magazine*. The study was commissioned by the magazine and was completed by the Behavior Research Center of Arizona following interviews with some 800 health-care professionals.

**Rev. Ronald J. Beistline '64** is pastor of Rebersburg United Methodist Parish, Rebersburg, Pa.

**Dr. Guy H. Gerhart '64** is a medical doctor in DuBois, Pa. He and his wife, Gail, have five children: Gary, Bradley, Craig, Lorne and Jonathan.

**James D. Huey '64** is a teacher for the Diocese of Harrisburg, Harrisburg, Pa. He and his wife, Bernadette, live in Hershey, Pa.

**Dolores Mallory Neuroth '64** is a medical technician at Carthage Area Hospital, Carthage, N.Y., where she was recently appointed daytime blood bank and toxicology technician.

**Kenneth S. Whisler, Jr. '64** retired as manager of Quality Systems for Witco Corp., Petrolia, Pa. on April 30, 1997. He has started a consulting/auditing business, Jireh Quality Services, in Edinburg, Pa. JQS provides consulting and auditing services principally to the Pittsburgh and Cleveland areas. He and his wife, Nancy Bintliff Whisler '64, have two children: Beverly and David.

## 50 NEWS

**Floyd M. Baturin '51** has a family practice. His two daughters are partners in his law firm and his son is a law clerk in the office, which was established in 1917.

## 60 NEWS

**Ronald L. Dietz '60** is in his 19th year as choral director of the York (Pa.) Symphony Chorus, and is currently



## MORE KUDOS FOR MR. BESECKER

By Ruth Ann (Hively) Wert '66

**T**he article "Mr. Besecker's Opus," which appeared in the fall '96 issue of *The Valley*, gives but a glimpse into the life of a very unique person. I will attempt to give some added insights. First, it needs to be clarified that Richard Besecker '55 has been retired from teaching in the Greencastle-Antrim school district since June 1989, but he does continue to give private voice and piano lessons.

Since Mr. Besecker is a very humble person, he would be reluctant to speak of himself and his achievements. But the repeated successes of his students as members of the district, regional, state, and All-East choruses speak volumes about the caliber of his teaching abilities. Some students have even garnered the coveted "first in the state" position, one as recently as 1996 in the second soprano category.

To truly understand the great impact and influence he has had on the lives of his students over many years, one need only speak to a sampling of his students who are very eager to share what Mr. Besecker has meant to them. Here are some of those thoughts shared by former students who are currently studying music in college or are now music educators themselves.

"Mr. Besecker is an excellent teacher because he is an excellent musician, both as a vocalist and pianist, an excellent communicator, and his life exemplifies high moral and ethical standards. He is a role model for his students, and his faith is the foundation of all he does." For him, "music is the means to praise God," and many of his students share that conviction. In the words of one of his former students "Mr. Besecker is the one person who set my soul on fire to sing for the Lord." "He shares himself, his strong Christian faith and his love of music with all his students." They, in turn, have great respect for him. This rapport, his ability to motivate, his encouraging positive ways, combined with his high expectations produce outstanding results. His teaching is truly an act of love as evidenced by the minimal lesson fee. As one current college student pointed out, "he could be earning much more if his fee were in line with what is the going rate." College students often return to study with him over the summer or for a visit because of the quality of his teaching and for the pleasure of seeing him. In spite of his current health problems, he continues to be very positive.

Mr. Besecker taught his own son and daughter, both of whom went on to major in music in college. His son credits him with his excellent preparation, which placed him a year ahead of others in his music techniques. He also directly credits his career as a church musician to his father's influence.

The respect for Mr. Besecker's high standard of excellence is acknowledged by his peers. A music teacher in an adjacent school district shared how Mr. Besecker was his mentor in preparing students to compete successfully in music auditions. This teacher never studied with Mr. Besecker, but recognized his abilities and asked to observe him "at work."

Another example of Mr. Besecker's commitment to excellence and his method of teaching was given by yet another student who has since gone on the teach music at all levels from elementary through college, and also privately. As a high school student this student showed potential, but Mr. Besecker wouldn't accept him into his high school choral group until he learned, with Mr. Besecker's help, to read music. So great is this former student's respect that he still prefers calling him "Mr. B" rather than by his first name.

"Mr. Besecker expected excellence and the students rose to that level. He always practiced what he taught and expected of his students only what he required of himself." The person sharing this quote is now a music educator, calls him "the shining example of my life" and confirms that the discipline he instilled has had lifelong benefits.

Another protégé, who recently began her career as a music teacher, says "her ultimate goal is to be just like him." There can be no greater tribute, Mr. Besecker. You make LVC proud!

(Note: People interviewed by the author included Dave Besecker, Megan Esser, Ron Eshleman, Niki (Leckron) Kauffman, Richard Overcash, Tanya Woody, Amy Zimmerman)

**Wayne A. Berry '65** is retired after selling his 14-room bed and breakfast in San Juan, Puerto Rico, which he ran for 10 years. He now lives in Longview, Texas.

**Dr. James G. Code '65** is professor of music at Mount Allison University, Sackville, NB, Canada. He had two works published by Mayfair Music in Toronto: "Encounters" for English horn, trumpet and piano; and three duets for flute and bassoon.

**Diana Nelson Laul '65** retired in June 1997 after 25 years in Lebanon Township, N.J.

**Judith Shellhammer Schwalm '65** is a sixth-grade teacher at Annville Elementary School, Annville, Pa. Her four children have presented her with four granddaughters.

**Audrey Wahler Smith '65** represented the faculty of Cranbury School in Cranbury, N.J., when the school was recognized as a National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence in Washington, D.C. on November 7, 1997. Audrey has been a kindergarten teacher at the school for 15 years.

**Albert J. Taylor, Jr. '65** retired in June 1997 after 32 years as an English teacher in the Centennial School District, Norsham, Pa.

**Judith Smith Ermigiotti '66** is an academic advisor/instructor at Temple University, Ambler, Pa.

**Carol Mickey Fleisher '66** is a budget analyst with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Pittsburgh District.

**Helen Brenner Gerber '66** retired from the Harrisburg School District after 31 years.

**Linda Brunner Stoe '66** retired in February 1997 as coordinator for the learning institute, Pinnacle Health System, Harrisburg, Pa.

**Elizabeth Beer-Shilling '67** is an elementary strings teacher in the Anne Arundel County Schools, Annapolis, Md.

**LeAnn Leiby Chandler '67** is a GED instructor and adult education instructor at the Carbon County Vo-tech School, Jim Thorpe, Pa. She and her husband, Eugene, have three children: **Christopher '71**, Lorilee and Andrew.

**Dr. Harold F. Giles '67** works at the University of North Carolina, Charlotte, for the Polymers Extension Program. He teaches extrusion (Introductory, Basic and Advanced) and Design of Experiments seminars to people in the plastics industry in South Carolina and the Southeast. He does consulting in the area of composites and has been elected to the Board of Directors of the SPE Composites Division.



**Dr. William J. Lamont, Jr. '67** is associate professor, Department of Horticulture, at Pennsylvania State University, University Park. His appointment comprises 75% extension work and 25% research, with emphasis on the culture and management of potatoes and other vegetable crops. He retired from the Naval Reserve in 1995 at the rank of Commander. He and his wife, Phyllis, have two children: William III, and Kevin.

**Roberta Gable Reed '67** works in the Research Institute of Bassett Healthcare, and is involved in lipid and lipoprotein studies. She serves on the editorial board of *Clinical Chemistry* and began a three-year term on the Board of Directors of the American Association for Clinical Chemistry in 1998.

**Darryl W. Brivius '68** is a technical director with Capital Resin Corporation, Columbus, Ohio. He and his wife, Linda, have two children: Jennifer and William.

**Charles J. DeHart, III '68** is an attorney with Caldwell and Kearns, Harrisburg, Pa. An interview with Charles was printed in the *Patriot-News* concerning the issues of farm transfers within families.

**Anna Schwartz '68** has been selected to be a member of the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra Master Teacher Collaborative for 1997 and 1998.

**Richard Simington '68** is director of gift planning, University Relations, at Alfred University, Alfred, N.Y.

**James R. Van Camp '68** was named Nalco Chemical Co. marketer of the year and was promoted to senior product manager, Nalco Chemical Co., Naperville, Ill.

**Alan J. Balma '69** and his wife, **Mitzi Sans Balma '69** celebrated 27 years of marriage in December 1997. Alan is a department head at Lucent Technologies, Inc. Middletown, N.J. with management responsibilities for system engineering of large software systems that manage traffic switched networks. He is harboring dreams in the next decade of climbing the tallest point in each of the 50 states ("down") and hiking the Appalachian Trail. Mitzi is a member of the technical staff at Lucent Technologies, where she does software engineering of small business communications systems.

**James A. Grube '69** is president of Teamwork Company, Inc., Annapolis, Md. He and his wife, Maggie, have two children: Howie and Tucker.

**Franklin S. Hoch '69** is owner of Hoch Insurance Agency, Inc., Fleetwood, Pa. He and his wife, Dori, have two children: Matthew and Katie.

**Rev. Margaret L. Jones MacGowan '69** is pastor at Community Presbyterian Church of Sand Hills, Kendall Park, N.J.

**Kenneth H. Matz '69** won an Emmy for "Best News Anchor" Mid-Atlantic Region, October 1997.



## UNDER THE MICROSCOPE

By Susan M. Hess

**F**ederic Marsik '65 has spent a good chunk of his life in a lab coat. For more than 25 years, the laboratory has been his home-away-from home, where he's peered into his microscope to help diagnose — and develop treatments for — a string of puzzling diseases. It's been an interesting — and circuitous — career path, that's taken the LVC biology major from Annville to research positions with world-renowned research institutes and pharmaceutical giants; to teaching stints at major universities; and to the directorship of the microbiology and serology labs at a large metropolitan medical center.

Now he's made his way to the Food and Drug Administration's drug evaluation and research center in Rockville, Maryland, where as a microbiologist he reviews clinical and laboratory data from pharmaceutical companies to determine the safety — and the usefulness — of new drug products. "It can take five to ten years before a drug makes it to the public because of the many studies that need to be done and analyzed," Marsik explains. But, he insists, it's a worthwhile wait, since FDA regulations provide confidence for consumers who purchase prescription and over-the-counter drugs. One of his most recent reviews involved a new antibiotic, the only one available to treat life-threatening infections with *enterococci*.

Marsik credits his LVC education with setting him on the road to his scientific career. "My experiences in biology with Dr. Hess and Drs. Wilson and Bollinger were the experiences that convinced me to go into the biological sciences. The classes were just the right size for me. But the great thing about LVC is that it's a liberal arts school and gives you the opportunity to experience many fine classes — you might come thinking you know what you want to be, but the experience at LVC challenges you with its many opportunities."

After his graduation, he pursued his Ph.D. studies at the University of Missouri in Columbia, where he and his adviser drew attention to the role that the organism *Staphylococcus epidermidis* plays in causing serious and tough-to-treat infections. Today, this common skin organism is recognized as the major cause of infections among AIDS patients. Postdoctoral work brought him to Hartford Hospital in Connecticut — there Marsik and his colleagues were the first to recognize and publicize an outbreak of a life-threatening staph infection.

As professor of pathology at the University of Virginia, Marsik published articles on infections caused by contaminated breast milk; at Oral Roberts University, as professor of microbiology and internal medicine, he took a look at medicine's human side. "The school was attempting to show the importance of the spiritual, emotional and physical aspects of the healing process," explains Marsik. It's a theory that has gained widespread recognition over the years.

Marsik landed his first research job at the prestigious Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in New York; from there he moved on the Merck & Co. in Rahway, New Jersey, where he was part of the team that developed some of the first antiviral medications, such as interferon. Other assignments have led Marsik to jobs with Becton Dickinson Microbiology Systems in Cockeysville, Maryland, where he served as director of research and development for media technology, and to Crozer Chester Hospital, near Philadelphia, where he worked with burn patients. But he admits that one of the most satisfying moments of his career took place at Milwaukee Children's Hospital, where he served as director of the microbiology and serology labs. "My most rewarding experience there was helping in the diagnosis of a fungus infection in the brain of a five-year-old," he recalls. "The child was originally diagnosed with a cancerous tumor of the brain, for which there was a very poor prognosis. Discovering that it was a fungus infection allowed the child to be treated and cured."

Marsik now lives in New Freedom, Pennsylvania, serving as treasurer for his local fire department and pursuing his interests in travel and history — recently he visited the Czech Republic to learn about his heritage.

But one of his strongest and most enduring interests has been his alma mater — which led him to his present avocation as LVC Alumni Ambassador. "I hope I can be instrumental in helping someone decide on Lebanon Valley," he says. "And I hope that other LVC alumni will make an effort to congratulate those in their communities who have chosen LVC. It could be that simple gesture that makes them come to the Valley." It's an altogether worthy effort, Marsik believes. "My experience at LVC made me a well-rounded individual as an adult — something I didn't appreciate until my early thirties. But that experience still guides my approach to my job and my life."

Susan M. Hess is a freelance writer based in Fredericksburg, PA.



**Dorie Bryden Skinkus '69** and her husband recently retired and moved to a house on the beach in southern Delaware, where their boat is docked at their front door.

**Rae Thompson '69** is self-employed as a freelance writer/consultant. She wrote a chapter, "Responding to the Call of the Soul," published in *The New Bottom Line: Bringing Heart and Soul to Business* (1996, New Leaders Press.)

## DEATHS

**N. Patricia Shonk '63**, September 16, 1997. She retired in 1996 as a music teacher and high school band director after 30 years in the Madison School System, Madison, Conn. In 1984 she was the first woman elected to Phi Beta Mu, the national school band master fraternity. She was a field hockey coach at Daniel Hand High School, Madison, and Valley Regional High School in Deep River, Conn., which won the state championship in 1994. She also served as a field marshal for the field hockey competitions at the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta, Ga.

**Robert E. Horn '66**, November 7, 1997. Since January 1997, he was vice president and chief financial officer of PACE Resources Inc., York, Pa. He served the company from 1980-'89 as executive vice president, secretary, treasurer and chief executive officer. From January 1994 to January 1997, he was a tax accountant with Dorwart, Andrew & Co. He also worked for Capitol Advisors. From 1966-'80 he was a trust investment officer with National Central Bank, York. A veteran of the U.S. Army, he served from 1960-'62 with the 13th Ordnance Hawk missile repair. He was the husband of **Carole Duncan Horn '65**.

## 70 NEWS

**Kevin E. Garner '71** and his wife Deb have recently moved from Newport News, Va. to Hampton, Va. Kevin is a licensed clinical social worker in Ft. Story, Virginia, where he operates a substance abuse clinic. He also plays keyboard and trumpet in the country-western band, "Northwest Passage."

**Glenn E. Moore '72** is director of business planning, global communications business division for AMP, Inc. Harrisburg, Pa. He and his wife, **Lynda Ferry Moore '68**, have two children: Alexis and Zachary.

**Alison Doney Jones '73** and her husband, Michael, have two children: Benjamin and Molly.

**Dr. Debra Kirchhof-Glazier '73** was elected to the Executive Committee of the North East Association of Advisors for the Health Professions.

**Bill Morrison '73** joined Kirkegaard and Perry Laboratories, Gaithersburg, Md. in the summer of '97 as national sales manager. KPL has provided



Senior Master Sgt. Jim Katzaman '74, interviews an Air Force officer in the Pentagon briefing room. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Angela Stafford)

## TRAVELING THE INFORMATION HIGHWAY

By Thomas Epler

**April 1, 1973. La Vie Collegienne, in a journalistic coup, scoops The New York Times, The Washington Post, and all the major networks, reporting President Richard Nixon's resignation some 16 months prematurely. Was it the result of top-notch reporting? Highly placed sources? A timely phone call to the Psychic Hotline?**

Actually, it was just the April Fool's edition of the college newspaper, but for Jim Katzaman, then a junior and the paper's editor-in-chief, it was the beginning of a career noted — with the one exception of Lebanon Valley's annual college prank — for the accurate and reliable reporting of information.

Katzaman '74 took the writing skills acquired during his days at Lebanon Valley and used them to build his career in the Air Force. "Choosing the Air Force was easy," he recalls, because it offered him the career choice of information (later known as public affairs). Plus — and this is important — he "didn't have to learn to swim by jumping off the side of a destroyer," as his father had claimed to have done. But he has jumped into his share of stormy waters.

Early in his career, as a young staff sergeant at Dover Air Force Base in Delaware, Katzaman found himself and his unit briefing major print, wire, and television networks as the Jim Jones cult suicide victims were flown in to the mortuary there from Guiana in November 1978. Katzaman and his colleagues pulled 36-hour shifts as planeloads of bodies arrived, fielding reporters' questions and assuring the news media that there was no chance for contamination.

Katzaman has also served as a staff writer for *Airman*, the official magazine of the Air Force. Sent to the Philippines to cover a psychiatric technician, he was caught in the sporadic political violence that broke out in October 1987, leaving three airmen dead. Subsequent assignments sent him to the University of Oklahoma and to Fort Meade, Maryland, where he served as the sole public affairs person for the Air Force intelligence group.

Now Pentagon Bureau Chief of the Air Force News Service, Katzaman, with a staff of two writers, two broadcasters and a photojournalist, oversees the distribution of all internal Air Force news coming out of Washington. A typical workday includes anything from administering everyday office matters to interviewing the Air Force chief of staff to fielding questions from the *Washington Post*. "Sometimes reporters think you know more than what you're saying," he explains, "but you always try to lay out all the verifiable facts on any story."

Katzaman manages to spend plenty of family time with his wife, whom he met while stationed in the Philippines, and their two children. They're happy to be living in the Washington, D.C. area, where they all enjoy the accessibility of such offerings as the National Air and Space and Natural History museums.

immunoassay and molecular biology reagents to researchers in the life sciences for the detection of proteins and nucleic acids for almost 20 years.

**Rev. Michael I. Alleman '74** is senior pastor at Grandview United Methodist Church, Lancaster, Pa.

**Karen Behler '74** is a music teacher at Middletown Elementary School, Frederick County, Md.

**Rev. Dr. Kenneth Bickel '74**, who played on LVC's golf team, had his second hole-in-one this past summer. Jennie, the daughter of Ken and his wife, **Rev. Nancy Nelson Bickel '75**, is the number-one golfer at the University of Northern Iowa, a Division I school.

**William R. Kauffman '74** is sales manager/vice president of Sutliff Chevrolet, Harrisburg, Pa. He and his wife, Diane, have four children: Kelly, Alex, Eric and Michael.

**John A. Nikoloff '74** is president and owner of Capital Associates, Inc., a full service public affairs/government relations firm in Harrisburg, Pa.

**Frank A. Rutherford III '74** was awarded the Whalen Award for being the 1997 Outstanding Chemistry Teacher by the Southeastern Pennsylvania section of the American Chemical Society. In June, he was appointed a PASCO Technology Educator by PASCO Scientific in Rosedale, Calif. In this position, he travels around the region training high school teachers to use a computer interspace data-acquisition device in science labs. This past summer, Frank spent a week at LVC helping Professors Dick Cornelius and Carl Wigal teach high school teachers to use computers in their chemistry classrooms and labs. In August, he presented a paper for Chem Ed '97 at the University of Minnesota.

**Deborah Gerner Buckfelder '75** is an eighth-grade math teacher in the Palmyra Area School District, Palmyra, Pa. She and her husband, **William C. Buckfelder '74**, have two children: Adam and Scott. Bill is manager of logistics at Hershey International, Hershey, Pa.

**Robert E. Johns, Jr. '75** was appointed to the board of directors of the International Association of Conference Centers. He has worked as the general manager of the Center for Executive Education at Babson College for the past nine years. He and his family reside in Holliston, Mass.

**David M. Poust '75** is sales manager for specialty products with Domino Sugar Corp., Baltimore, Md. He and his wife, Joni, have two children: Julia and Allison.

**Howard P. Scott '75** is a teacher at Catholic High School, Baltimore, Md. He also performs with the Baltimore and Washington operas.

**Kenneth A. Seyfert '75** is national director, Grace Brethren Investment Foundation, Inc., Winna Lake, Ind. He and his wife, Anna, have two children: Tara and Troy.

Thomas Epler is a staff writer for the *Lebanon Daily News*.



**Rev. Richard D. Smith '75** is pastor of Grace United Methodist Church, Hanover, Pa.

**James R. Sprecher '75** was promoted to the rank of chief warrant officer three (CW3) in the U.S. Army on March 1, 1997. He is currently assigned to the Intelligence and Security Command (INSCOM) and is stationed at Fort Huachuca, Ariz. James received a Bronze Star for his duties during Operation Desert Storm and will retire from military service in May 1999.

**Judith Heyser Taylor '75** is a teacher in the Central Dauphin School District, Harrisburg, Pa. She and her husband, Attalee, have two children: Natalie and Lee.

**Raymond C. Bradley '76** was the 1997 winner of the "Telly" Award, a national award for non-broadcast video. Ray is account manager/video director for Rooftop Productions, Lebanon, Pa.

**John M. Cullather '76** married Kathleen Brown on September 13, 1997 in Washington, D.C.

**Carolyn Reed Sachs '76** is an independent music teacher in Harrisonburg, Va. She and her husband, **Dr. Stephen W. Sachs '76**, have four children: Gregory, Martha, Sarah and Roberta. Steve is professor of music/piano at Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Va. He toured in the fall of '97 with the EMI Piano Trio. Carolyn and he performed in two duet recitals on New Year's Eve for Harrisonburg's "First Night" celebration.

**Doreen Breder Sigman '76** is a fifth-grade teacher with the Glynn County School District, Brunswick, Ga. She recently moved to St. Simon's Island, Ga. Doreen obtained a master's degree in Middle School Education and a specialist degree in Middle School Education (grades 4-8) from Georgia Southern University.

**Ellen Gottlieb Snader '76** is owner of PIP Printing, Lancaster, Pa.

**Mary E. Gallant Syer '76** is a math teacher and K-12 math coordinator at Coatesville Area High School, Coatesville, Pa. She and her husband, Harry, have two children: Christopher and Elizabeth.

**Anne B. Ehrhart Bocian '77** is in her 19th year as a senior high English instructor in the Lower Dauphin School District, Hummelstown, Pa.

**Glenn D. Deaven '77** is a training specialist with the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts, Mechanicsburg, Pa.

**Robert S. Frey '77** had two full-length articles and two book reviews published in the fall of 1997. These include: "Effective Small Business Response Strategies to Federal Government Competitive Procurements," *The Journal of Business and Management*; "Environmental Dredging on the Chesapeake Bay" (coauthored with Dr. Frank Pine), *World Dredging, Mining & Construction*; "Review of the Truth

About Everything: An Irreverent History of Philosophy," *Small Press Magazine* and "Review of Jerusalem and the Holy Land: The First Ecumenical Pilgrim's Guide," *Small Press Magazine*. Bob's fourth book, *Successful Proposal Strategies for Small Businesses*, has been acquired by private-sector businesses, government organizations and academic institutions in the U.S., Canada, and Europe.

**Roberta L. Snow '77** is director of therapy services and case management for Health South Rehabilitation Hospital in Oklahoma City, Okla. She also teaches sociology and human relations at Oklahoma City Community College.

**Ronald R. Afflebach '78** is director of human resources for Albright and Wilson, Americas, Charleston, S.C. He and his wife, Susan Afflebach, welcomed their fourth daughter, Elizabeth, on June 24, 1997. Their other daughters are: Kristen, Katie and Amanda. Ron is pursuing a doctorate in business administration and serves as an adjunct professor of management at several colleges.

**Dr. Charles H. Blevins '78** has joined LifeScan in San Jose, Calif. as manager of new product planning. He recently returned from a 2 1/2-year assignment in England where he led a new development team in the conception, creation and implementation of a state-of-the-art contact lens manufacturing facility for Barnes-Hind. He has also detailed the efforts of this project in three recent lectures given to the Golden Gate Polymer Forum, the Silicon Valley Chapter of the Project Management Institute and the Society of Concurrent Engineering.

**Dr. Susan Engle Carney '78** is director of quality assurance and control, North America with Novartis Consumer Health, Inc., Lincoln, Nebr.

**Anna Marie Macenka Mantey '78** is a primary care physician assistant with the McDowell Hospital, Marion, N.C.

**Caren J. Luchanin Reichhard '78** and her husband, Bob, live in Scottsdale, Ariz. with their son, RJ.

**Elizabeth A. Sanders '78** plays clarinet with the Stockton Symphony, Stockton, Calif. and the Seaport Woodwind Quintet. She also plays clarinet and saxophone with the 561st Air Force Band, California Air National Guard. Elizabeth teaches band in the Lodi Unified School District, Stockton, Calif.

**Evan T. Shourds '78** is a soccer coach for the Conemaugh Township, Pa. junior high boys' soccer team. It went 16-1-2 and won the Valley of School Ligonier tournament for the first time.

**Meredith Young '78** is quality manager for Northwest Coatings, Oak Creek, Wis. She completed a Doctor of Naturopathy degree in September 1996 and is currently attending Capital University of Integrative Medicine, Washington, D.C., pursuing a PMD degree (Doctor of Physiatrics).

**Richard J. Allen '79** and his wife, Loretta, welcomed a daughter, Rachel, on March 12, 1997.

**Rev. Truman T. Brooks '79** is senior pastor of Christ United Methodist Church, Lansdale, Pa. In July 1996, he and his wife, **Roseann McGrath Brooks '82**, adopted two children from Puebla, Mexico: Sandra and Tomas. Roseann is managing editor of *EXT*, a computer publication.

**Matthew M. Cortin '79** is president of Integral Partners, Inc., Radnor, Pa.

**Michael F. Faherty, Esq. '79** was the speaker for the Council on Education in Management at the "Pennsylvania Workers' Comp Update 1997" seminar held on November 12, 1997 at the Harrisburg Hilton Towers. His topic was "Maintaining Control of Claims and Reducing Costs Through Aggressive Return-to-Work Policies." Michael is a member of the law office of Marshall, Dennehey, Warner, Coleman and Goggin, Harrisburg, Pa.

**Karl D. Neiswender '79** was selected Coach of the Year at the annual South Jersey Tennis Coaches Association banquet, Almonesson, N.J. Karl is in his fifth year as Clearfield High School girls' tennis coach; he also teaches math. His father is **Dr. David D. Neiswender '53**.

**Gloria J. Scarle '79** is comptroller/owner of Triad Construction Services, Inc., Tampa, Fla.

**Joan H. Squires '79** is president and CEO of the Phoenix Symphony, Phoenix, Ariz.

## DEATHS

**David E. Klein '72**, January 20, 1998. He was a dispatcher for USF Red Star Express, Newark, N.J.

**Marilyn K. Showalter '78**, July 5, 1997.

## '80 NEWS

**Vicki Greb Cowan '80** is a home-school consultant for Covenant Life School, Gaithersburg, Md. She and her husband, Jim, have three children: Justin, Andrew and Philip.

**Steven F. Vozzo '80** is an environmental supervisor with the North Carolina Division of Air Quality, Fayetteville Regional Office, Fayetteville, N.C. He and his wife, Helen, live in Raleigh, N.C. with their three children: Maria, Eric and Walt.

**Bruce D. Bomberger '81** is coauthor of the book, *The French and Indian War in Pennsylvania, 1753-1763*, published by the Pennsylvania Museum Commission.

**Brian R. Claeys '81** is a senior benefits administration specialist with Towers Perrin, Philadelphia, Pa. He and his wife, **Julie Kauffman Claeys '81**, have one child: Bailey.

**Dr. Carla Powell Desilets '81** enjoys being the army wife of David Desilets in Ft. Bragg, N.C., home of the 82nd Airborne. She and David have two children: Joseph and Henry.

**Jeff T. Mowrer '81** is general manager/PGA Professional at Donegal Highlands Golf Club, Donegal, Pa.

**Craig C. Olinger '81** is deputy chief accountant of the Division of Corporation Finance, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, D.C. His wife, **Christine Lowther Olinger '81**, is a chemist in the Office of Pesticide Programs, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. They have two children: Douglas and Mark.

**Noel Kane Stanek '81** is self-employed and president of Kane Stanek Associates, Malvern, Pa.

**Gary R. Zellner '81** is principal of Northside Elementary School and coordinator of elementary special education in the Palmyra Area School District, Palmyra, Pa. His wife, **Carol Withers Zellner '81**, is a reading instructional assistant in the same school district. They have one son: Ryan.

**Denise L. Achey '82** is choir director and music department chair at Middletown High School, Frederick County, Md. She is also adult choir director at Trinity United Methodist Church, Frederick, Md.

**Linda Texter Behler '82** and her husband, Marlin, welcomed daughter Andrea on November 20, 1996. Linda has left her teaching career after 15 years.

**Douglas A. Bufton '82** is regional operations manager of Southeast Transport International Pool, Marietta, Ga. He and his wife, Pamela, have two children: Jennifer and Laura.

**Michael G. Groody '82** is a catastrophe adjuster for USAA, Pompano Beach, Fla. He and his wife, Sandra, have two children: Mickey and Olivia.

**Timothy Gary Long '82** married Lori Elizabeth Steele on November 29, 1997 in First Church of the Brethren, Harrisburg, Pa. Tim is a self-employed financial consultant with Keystone Financial, Harrisburg.

**Felecia Snyder Summy '82** and her husband, Jim, welcomed their second child, Jennifer, on July 22, 1997.

**Robert J. Whalen '82** is assistant vice president for Fasteners, Progress Rail Services, Carey, Ill. He and his wife, Donna, have two children: Brian and Robert III.

**David J. Allen '83** and his wife, Mary, welcomed a daughter, Elizabeth, on February 21, 1997. They live in Palo Alto, Calif. David is director of operations for RHL, Inc., Benicia, Calif.

**Elaine Woodworth Norcross '83** is senior training specialist with Degussa Corporation, Ridgefield Park, N.J. She and her husband, John, were married in April 1997.

**Tina Liek Rockwell '83** is a pharmacy technician at Weis Pharmacy, Jersey Shore, Pa. She and her husband, William, have two children: Jon-Luc and Wesley.

**Bryan G. Rowe '83** is director of music at Grace-St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Memphis, Tenn.

**Rev. David M. Frye '84** is assistant to the president at Martin Luther Home Society, Inc., Lincoln, Neb. He is pursuing an MA in Journalism and Mass Communications at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

**Amy J. Hostetler '84** recently became a science writer/columnist for the *Richmond TimesDispatch* after nine years as a writer with the Associated Press.

**Diane Shissler Kamp '84** is senior claims adjuster for Hershey Foods Corporation, Hershey, Pa. She and her husband, Charles, have three children: Joshua, Meredith and Alex.

**Wayne C. Meyer '84** is national sales manager for True Temper Hardware, Camp Hill, Pa. He and his wife, Janice, have three children: Joshua, Nathan and Hannah.

**Marc A. Nelville '84** is an environmental administrator with Land O'Lakes, Inc., Carlisle, Pa.

**Dr. V. Lyle Trumbull '84** and his wife, Tamara, welcomed a son, Miles, on August 7, 1997. Lyle is a postdoctoral research fellow at Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.

**Diane M. Carey '85** studied art at Christ Church, Oxford University, England in 1991. She is a professional artist, currently showing her paintings in the Jane Anthony Gallery, Newtown, Pa. On March 3, 1997, she married Atsushi Ninomiya. They reside in Kawasaki, Japan, where Diane is studying Japanese at the Kawaski International Center.

**Michael G. Cobb '85** is a job skills instructor with Johs for Baystates Graduates, a private nonprofit organization located in Falls River, Maine. Michael teaches interviewing skills and job survival skills to inner-city students at Worcester Vocational High School. He and his wife recently moved to Shrewsbury, Maine from Exton, Pa. His wife, Cathy Harkey Cobb, former LVC assistant dean of admission, was promoted to the position of regional manager for Eastern Massachusetts and the Greater Boston Area for Kelly Services. They have two children: Megan Elizabeth and Sean Michael.

**Gloria Pocekailo Evert '85** received a master of education degree from Bucknell University in 1991. She is currently employed by the Schuylkill

Haven Area School District as an elementary guidance counselor. She and her husband, Brian, have two children: Benjamin and Leah Lynn, born April 13, 1997.

**Melanie Herman Hartman '85** and **Bryan M. Hartman '84** reside in Hamburg, Pa. with their daughter Kaitlyn and son Christopher. Melanie teaches elementary music in the Daniel Boone School District, Birdsboro, Pa. Bryan teaches secondary vocal music in the Tulpehocken Area School District, Bernville, Pa. and is director of music at St. John's Lutheran Church, Hamburg.

**Jennifer Wright Hertzler '85** and her husband, Jonathan, have two children: Josiah and Jesielle.

**Suzanne Flinn Lacey '85** is a client service leader with General Electric, Trevose, Pa.

**Timothy J. Swartz '85** is a real estate appraiser for The Appraisal Firm, Middletown, Pa. He and his wife, Beth, have two children: Kristin and Collin.

**Nicholas F. Verratti '85** and his wife, **Michele Gawel Verratti '84** welcomed a second son, Jared Anthony, on October 7, 1997. Their other son, Justin, is three years old.

**Steven M. Weddle '85** and his wife, Amy, welcomed a daughter, Haleigh Elizabeth, on October 5, 1997.

**Jeffrey E. Boland '86** is senior associate for ZA Consulting, Harrisburg, Pa.

**Kimberly Pearl Keene '86** is a seventh-grade social studies teacher in the Cornwall-Lebanon School District, Lebanon, Pa.

**Julie A. Kissinger '86** graduated with an MBA degree from St. Joseph's University, Philadelphia, in September 1996.

**Johnna-Claire Metz '86** was granted a master's degree in Industrial, Organizational and Human Relations Psychology in May 1996. She is currently working for an international company, Sanofi Beauté, New York. She is creative production associate for Oscar de la Renta, Worldwide, Yves Saint Laurent and Nina Ricci. She also just became an accredited landscape and design critic.

**Mark N. Sutovich '86** and his wife, **Melissa Miller-Sutovich '88** have relocated to Charlotte, N.C. with their two sons: Ryan and Adam.

**Rebecca Owens Wise '86** is a buyer for Belk in Charlotte, N.C.

**Glen M. Bootay '87** and his wife, Leslie, welcomed twin boys, Gage and Bailey, on January 19, 1997.

**Kathy L. Brandt '87** is a research assistant at the University of Alabama, Birmingham.

**Andrew R. Brode '87** is a systems engineer for Rite Aid, Inc., Eters, Pa.

**Dr. Michael Cackovic '87** is a May 1997 graduate of Hahnemann University, School of Medicine and was commissioned a Lieutenant in the U.S. Navy in July 1997. He is an OB/GYN resident at St. Luke's Hospital, Bethlehem, Pa. He and his wife, Barbara, have three children: Hannah, Connor and Paige.

**Ann M. Cessna '87** is a substitute special education teacher in the Lancaster, Pa. area. She received Pennsylvania certification in special education on December 18, 1997. Ann is a graduate student at Millersville University, Millersville, Pa., working toward a M.Ed. in Special Education.

**Nicole A. Enrich '87** is administration manager for Cort Furniture Rental, Aurora, Colo.

**Jo Ellen Jeweler '87** is owner of Silicon Valley Electronics, Annapolis, Md.

**Glenn R. Kaiser, Jr. '87** and his wife, Deanna, welcomed daughter Bianca Marie on October 26, 1997. Glenn is the head wrestling coach at Upper Dublin High School (Pa.).

**Eve R. Lindemuth '87** is manager of worldwide translator relations for Language Management International of Denver, Colo. She is responsible for managing the resources and standardization of the recruiting process for the company's branches in the U.S., Europe, Asia and Latin America.

**Brian S. Saldin '87** is controller for Jerome H. Rhoads, Inc., Lancaster, Pa.

**Dr. Mary Beth Seasholtz '87** is a senior chemist for Dow Chemical, Sanford, Mich.

**Andrea M. Tindley '87** is a day-care licensing representative for the DPW Central Region Day Care Licensing Bureau, Hamburg, Pa.

**Drew R. Williams '87** is print coordinator for Communications Development, Washington, D.C.

**Kimberly Ann Burd '88** married Bruce Andrew Minke, October 4, 1997 in Point Place United Methodist Church, Toledo, Ohio. Kim received two master's degrees from Bowling Green University and is an instructor and adviser with Owens Community College, Findlay, Ohio.

**Donna L. Dager '88** married David Hartzell on July 12, 1997 in Perkaspie, Pa. Donna is a second-grade teacher for the Central Bucks School District, Doylestown, Pa.

**Shawn M. Fitzgerald, Ph.D. '88** is assistant professor of evaluation and measurement at Kent State University, Kent, Ohio. Shawn teaches graduate-level courses in statistics, research design and program evaluation. He received a Ph.D. in Statistics and Evaluation from the University of Toledo, Ohio in December 1996.

**William A. Giovino '88** is a mathematics teacher in the Lebanon High School, Lebanon, Pa. He and his wife, **Rhonnda L. Giovino '95**, have one child, Antonia Lin, born June 3, 1996.

**Joanne M. Grier '88** is Medicare supervisor for Pennsylvania Blue Shield, Camp Hill, Pa. She and her husband, David, have two children: Ryan and Kelly.

**Nan Hanshaw '88** graduated from the North Carolina State Veterinary School in May 1998. She will be joining a veterinary practice in Elizabethtown, Pa.

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**Dr. Joan M. Hevel '88** married Bennett Browning on October 11, 1996 on Pfeiffer Beach, in Big Sur, Calif. She is a post-doctoral fellow in the chemistry department at the University of Hawaii, Honolulu.

**Tracey Montgomery Hoffman '88** and her husband, **Richard P. Hoffman '86** welcomed second child Kelsey Grace on October 15, 1997. Son Ryan is four years old.

**Susan Scott Hoskins '88** is a graduate student and tutor of international students at the University of Delaware, Dover. She is completing her Ph.D. research in the linguistics department.

**Joanne Hoffman Hunter '88** is national accounts Medicare risk consultant for Aetna U.S. Healthcare, Middletown, Conn.

**Bonni Shartle Keane '88** is a third-grade teacher/site administrator in the Palm Springs Unified School District, Palm Springs, Calif. She and her husband, Michael, were married on April 5, 1997.

**Lisa M. Kiss '88** is a teacher in the Amville-Cleona School District, Amville, Pa. She and her husband, Douglas, welcomed a daughter, Michelle, in the summer of 1997.

**Brian P. Luckenbill '88** is a second-grade teacher at the Penn-Bernville Elementary Center in the Tulpehocken Area School District, Bernville, Pa.

**Lydia H. Neff '88** married Thomas McCoy on April 20, 1997 in Ridgewood, N.J. Lydia is a first-grade teacher at Willard Elementary School, Ridgewood.

**Lisa Jennings Nelson '88** is a chemist for Abbott Laboratories, Abbott Park, Ill.

**David J. Sekula '88** is a research technician at the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, Department of Molecular Medicine, New York.

**Michele Durkin Sorenson '88** and her husband, Dennis, have three children: Matthew, Christopher and Melissa.

**Michael Steckman '88** and his wife, **Amber Hegi Steckman '92** live in Royersford, Pa. Michael combines his education and his computer skills by providing technological training and consulting services to a number of businesses, agencies, schools and nonprofit organizations in the northwest Philadelphia area. Michael has been teaching in the continuing education program at nearby Ursinus College, Collegeville, Pa.

**Dr. Ramona S. Taylor '88** is assistant professor of chemistry, College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, Mass.

**Dr. Susan J. Toland '88** is director of information resources for Covance, Princeton, N.J.

**Sharon H. Weaver '88** and her husband, Dennis, have four children: Brent, Kristin, Melody and Michaela.

**David K. Bush '89** has been selected as one of eight education professionals to commence with doctoral studies in the higher education administration program at the University of Virginia. He is currently working as a graduate assistant at the Center for the Study of Higher Education and resides in Charlottesville, Va.

**G. Scott Carter '89** has left his job as a lawyer in Washington, D.C. after five years to become a vice president at Washington Mortgage Financial Group, Ltd., a commercial mortgage lender located in northern Virginia.

**Beth Trout Coder '89** and her husband, Brian, welcomed a daughter on February 21, 1997. Beth is employed as a student assistance assessor by the Lancaster Guidance Center, Lancaster, Pa. She provides SAP services to the middle schools in the Solanco School District.

**Deana M. Crumbling '89** is an environmental protection specialist with the U.S. EPA Technology Innovation Office, Washington, D.C. She received an M.S. degree in environmental science from Drexel University, Philadelphia, Pa. in the spring of 1997.

**Stephen J. Futchko III '89** and his wife, Amy, welcomed their first child, Zachary Ryan, born on September 16, 1997. Stephen is a supervisor at Becton-Dickinson, York, Pa.

**Rebecca C. Gaspar '89** is senior manager for individual giving, Department of Fund Development, Big Brothers, Big Sisters of America, Philadelphia, Pa.

**Todd L. Grill '89** is marketing manager for American Ref-fuel Company, Westbury, N.Y. He is a graduate student at Hofstra University, Hempstead, N.Y., working toward an MBA.

**Barbara Lowie Hicks '89** is softball coach, JV hockey coach and residential hall director for Hartwick College, Oneonta, N.Y.

**Joel A. Kline '89** is an elected official in the orphans' court, Lebanon County Courthouse, Lebanon, Pa. He and his wife, Laura, have two children: Rachel and Alexandra.

**Iac D. Longson '89** has been named pricing manager for the HO-Commercial Lines Division of Penn National Insurance, Harrisburg, Pa. His responsibilities include directing rate change implementation, managing the dividend issuance system and premium, loss ratio, commission and dividend values.

**Carl W. Mohler '89** is account manager for Berke-Tek, New Holland, Pa.

**Laurie A. Mutz '89** is a biologist with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Dover, Del.

**Dr. David P. Myers '89** recently married Dr. Mary Brichford on April 26, 1997. Both are employed at LECO Corporation, St. Joseph, Mich.

**Douglas L. Nyce '89** is head of the music department and a teacher of music and English at Tamaki College, Auckland, New Zealand. He is also music director of the Auckland City Brass. He and his wife, Rosalind, and daughter, Hannah, live in Auckland.

**Thomas W. Reich '89** is a biomedical repair technician with the U.S. Army, Fort Bragg, N.C.

**Lisa Bauerman Riley '89** is assistant director/pre-K teacher at Early Explorers, Hummelstown, Pa. She and her husband, Randy, welcomed a daughter, Caitlin, on August 3, 1997.

**Deanna Bennett Vettese '89** is head teacher at Winston Hall Montessori School, Reading, Pa. She and her husband, Thomas, have two children: Nicholas and Abigail.

## '90 NEWS

**Richard L. Beard '90** and **Lisa Henry Beard '93** welcomed a son, Tyler David, January 8, 1998. Rick is the director of IAC's Arnold Sports Center.

**Renato R. Biribin '90** is a freelance novelist and screenplay writer in Studio City, Calif.

**Cynthia Watson Cowburn '90** and her husband, Jared, welcomed a son, Tyler, on January 15, 1997.

**Kirk A. Cremer '90** is owner/director of Broadway Voice, Reading, Pa. where he gives singing lessons to approximately 35 musical theater students a week. He runs a summer theater camp for kids and is also kept busy as a singer, actor and director. He directed the musical, "The Secret Garden," at Reading's Genesis Theatre in January 1998.

**Kerrie Brennan Dacey '90** and her husband, Dan, had their first child, Rachel Elizabeth, on June 15, 1997.

**Dr. Angela Davis Darrup '90** and her husband, Chris, welcomed their first child, Rebecca Marie, on April 27, 1997.

**Amy Schmid Deardorff '90** is a half-time kindergarten teacher in the Eastern Lebanon County School District, Myerstown, Pa. She and her husband, **Benjamin A. Deardorff '90**, have one child, Nathaniel. Ben is a chemistry/biology teacher in the School District of Lancaster, Pa.

**Dr. Camille DeClementi '90** is a veterinarian at Animal's West Veterinary Hospital, Greenville, Tenn.

**Jill M. Glassman '90** was married on December 31, 1996 to Christopher M. Ouellette. They reside in Bridgewater, N.J.

**Linda M. Hepler '90** is district operations specialist with the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, Harrisburg, Pa.

**Rory C. Hertzog '90** and **Diane Capece Hertzog '90** welcomed a second son, Bret Joseph, on May 1, 1997. Their first son, Ryan Carl, is two years old.

**Cynthia Woods Kensinger '90** and her husband, Jed, welcomed Adam Henry on January 1, 1998. He joins his sister, Sarah. Cynthia is a home economics teacher at Lebanon Middle School, Lebanon, Pa. They reside in Lititz, Pa.

**Robert L. Mikus '90** is director of residence life at Elizabethtown College, Elizabethtown, Pa. His wife, **Donna Teator Mikus '90**, teaches first-grade in the Hempfield School District, Lancaster, Pa.

**Rev. Dwayne D. Nichols '90** is pastor at Zion United Church of Christ, Selinsgrove, Pa. He and his wife, Deborah, have three children: Curtis, Janessa and Brent.

**Susan A. Noel '90** married Mark Specthrie, Esq., September 6, 1997 in Greenwich, Conn. Susan is a certified paralegal and works at Warwick Savings Bank in the mortgage servicing department as the mortgage delivery administrator. She reviews legal documents and sales loans to the secondary markets and sets interest rates for the bank.

**Matthew P. O'Beirne '90** is training and auditing coordinator for First Option Health Plan, Neptune, N.J. He and his wife, Janet, were married on October 19, 1996.

**Tamara Hudish Powell '90** is a field service coordinator for Lasco Bathware, Elizabethtown, Pa. She and her husband, Kenneth, welcomed a daughter, Jenna Leigh, on August 9, 1997.

**David J. Schell '90** is an environmental specialist marketing informational services manager for Wilton Armetale, Mount Joy, Pa. He and his wife, **Janice Bechtel Schell '88**, have two children: Jessica and Mikaela.

**Dr. Sherry D. Scovell '90** is a surgical resident at the Graduate Hospital, Department of Surgery, Philadelphia, Pa.

**Cynthia Sladek Bass '90** is a plan specialist with CGI Consulting Group, Inc., Malvern, Pa.

**Dale E. Snover '90** is a performance analyst for Pennsylvania Power and Light Co., Allentown, Pa. He and his wife, Judy, have two children: Brian and Michelle.

**Susan M. Spadjinske '90** is a music specialist/choral director with the Vernon Board of Education, Rockville, Conn.

**Paula Boyd Sutor '90** attends City College of San Francisco, Calif. and is serving as an intern on the production of a documentary by PBS affiliate KCTS/Seattle. Paula's film, *Carrie Fisher Dream Sequence*, had its world premiere at the 13th Annual Film Arts Festival in San Francisco.

**Lori Reed Thomas '90** is a music teacher in the Mifflin County School District, Reedsville, Pa.

**Daniel B. Tredinnick '90** has been appointed by Pennsylvania Governor Tom Ridge to the Governor's Council on Travel and Tourism. Council members advise the governor on policy matters related to the state's tourism industry, the second largest (behind agriculture) source of economic output in the Commonwealth. Daniel is also press secretary for the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission.

**Pamela S. Vincent '90** received a master of public administration degree from Pennsylvania State University in August 1996. She has been the supervisor of the radiology department at Shady Grove Hospital, Rockville, Md. since July 1997. She is also clinical supervisor/instructor for Washington Hospital School of Radiography.

**Joanne S. Bakel '91** is program coordinator/clinical coordinator for Penn State University's School of Radiography, Hershey Medical Center, Hershey, Pa.

**Danielle M. Campbell '91** is a special education teacher, field hockey and swimming coach, and Special Olympics softball coach in the Brancroft School's special education department, Haddonfield, N.J.

**Shirley Dietz '91** married David Haddad on March 15, 1997. She is an attorney with Wilmer, Cates, Fohrrell and Kelley, P.A., Huntsville, Ala.

**Brian M. Fernandes '91** is an actuary with Balis and Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

**Kelley Gingrich Finkelstein '91** is a claims examiner for Pennsylvania Blue Shield, Camp Hill, Pa. She and her husband, Michael, welcomed daughter, Rachel Lauren, June 20, 1997.

**Angela Fischer Fracalossi '91** is a self-employed realtor in Danville, Pa.

**Kathryn Guindon '91** married Daniel Tisdell in April 1995. Kathy received a master's degree from North Carolina State University in March 1995. Kathy works as a fisheries biologist at the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Florida Marine Research Institute, St. Petersburg, Fla.

**J. Ronald Hless '91** is sales manager for the Holiday Inn-Harrisburg/Hershey, Grantville, Pa.

**Brendalyn D. Krysiak '91** is general manager of the Holiday Inn Corning-Painted Post, Painted Post, N.Y.

**Andrew S. Wangman '91** is a salesman for AIN Plastics of Pennsylvania, Lancaster, Pa.

**F. Richard Yingling, Jr. '91** is an estimator with First Capital Insulation, Inc., York, Pa. He and his wife, Cheryl, have two children: Kayla and Savannah.

**Maria L. Abeleda '92** married Jeffrey Boyd Mundwiler on August 23, 1997 in St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church, Annville, Pa.

**Dr. Joseph Alia '92** is a family practice resident in Phoenix, Ariz.

**Erica Allen '92** married Thomas Jucewicz on September 20, 1997.

**Donna L. Becker '92** is a member of therapeutic staff support for United Staffing Services, Harrisburg, Pa.

**Lois Rhine Bickel '92** is a houseparent at the Milton Hershey School, Hershey, Pa. She and her husband, Lynn, have two children: Christopher and Shane.

**Kristin Davis '92** married Jim Hoffer on June 7, 1997 in Jonestown, Pa. Kristin is a sixth-grade teacher in the Northern Lebanon School District, Fredericksburg, Pa.

**Tara J. Hottenstein '92** is an essay rater at the University of Georgia, Testing Scoring and Reporting Services, Athens, Ga.

**Tiffany Ann Lanphier '92** married Michael Scott Sholansky on November 29, 1997 in St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church, Annville, Pa. She is a family therapist with the Family Focus Program and a crisis counselor with Good Samaritan Hospital, both in Lebanon, Pa.

**David N. Lauver '92** recently received his M.D. degree from Penn State College of Medicine, Hershey, Pa. David is currently a resident in Internal Medicine at Reading Hospital, Reading, Pa.

**Tracey Brass Oberdorf '92** is an employment training specialist with the Arc of York County, York, Pa.

**Kimberly Shaffer '92** married Bryan Lee Myers, December 6, 1997 in Harpers Ferry, W.V.

**Joe A. Shermyer '92** is a seventh-grade science/social studies teacher, varsity football coach and head junior high wrestling coach at Holy Name of Jesus and East Pennsboro High School, Harrisburg, Pa. His wife **Paula Ritter Shermyer '92** is a first-grade teacher and junior varsity girls' basketball coach at Holy Name of Jesus and Cedar Cliff High School, Harrisburg, Pa.

**Shawn T. Snavelly '92** married **Lori M. Moyer '93** on November 22, 1997 in LVC's Miller Chapel. Shawn is employed by Reading ATM, Reading, Pa. and is a candidate for a master's degree in music education at Penn State University. Lori is employed by the Daniel Boone School District and is a candidate for a master's degree in music therapy at Immaculata College, West Chester, Pa.

**Kevin J. Sutovich '92** married Lara McCauley on September 27, 1997. Kevin is a graduate assistant in chemistry at Pennsylvania State University, University Park, Pa.

**Timothy J. Tobin '92** is a history teacher and an assistant football coach in the Mahanoy Area School District, Mahanoy, Pa. He is also a seventh- and eighth-grade basketball coach at Cardinal Brennen High School.

**Christa M. Wachinski '92** is a case manager with Haven House, a partial-hospitalization program that serves the mentally ill, located in Allentown, Pa.

**Robert G. Bledsoe '93** is market research manager for New Holland North America, Inc., New Holland, Pa. He and his wife, Claudia, have three children: Scott, Kevin and Kristy.

**Charles W. Bloss, IV '93** works for Bob Gold and Associates, Chicago, Ill. The firm does managed care consulting. Charles is officially an ASA and an MAAA.

**Michael P. Boyer '93** is company controller for three quarries in the eastern U.S. for Medusa Minerals. He and his wife, Lisa, and daughter, Leah, recently moved to Dingman's Ferry, Pa. in the Poconos.

**John J. DiGilio, Jr. '93** received a Juris Doctorate from Pepperdine University School of Law, Malibu, Calif. in May 1996. John is currently enrolled as a master's candidate at the University of Pittsburgh School of Information, Pittsburgh, Pa.

**Mark S. Dimick '93** is an English teacher and adviser to the senior class, the literary magazine and Key Club at Annville-Cleona High School, Annville, Pa. Mark is also director of music at Salem Lutheran Church, Lebanon, Pa., and a candidate for an M.A. in English at Millersville University, Millersville, Pa.

**Sandra L. Fauser '93** is a third-grade teacher/head field hockey coach in the Eastern Lebanon County School District, Myerstown, Pa.

**Kevin M. Gerchufsky '93, '96** is an associate information systems analyst with Bayer Corporation's diagnostics division, Elkhart, Ind.

**Stephen M. Hland '93** is plant human resource manager for Tyson Foods, Inc., Glen Allen, Va.

**Stephanie Hassler '93** married Torrey Martin on September 12, 1997.

**Shirley J. Hoy '93** is branch manager of Mid-America Personnel Resources, Muncie, Ind. She is also the owner of a distribution business in Alexandria, Ind.

**David A. Huffman '93** now lives in Golden, Col.

**Stanley W. Hulet '93** and his wife, **Melissa Atkins Hulet '93**, welcomed a daughter, Ysabelle, in September 1997.

**Lynn Schwalm Jones '93** is an aerobics instructor with the Somerset Valley YMCA, Somerville, N.J.

**Kimberly E. Klein '93** is a self-employed decorative artistic painter in Lancaster, Pa.

**Kelly Lawrence '93** married Michael Glancy on June 21, 1997. Kelly is a high school chemistry teacher at Woodstown High School, Woodstown, N.J.

**Jeffrey D. Martin '93** is deli division manager for the Bird-in-Hand Bakery, Bird-in-Hand, Pa.

**J. Thomas Seddon IV '93** is director of fifth- through twelfth-grade bands in the Rye Neck Union Free School District, Mamaroneck, N.Y. He received a master of music degree in music education from the Hartt School of Music. He and his wife, Alana, have one son: Peter.

**Linda A. Sterner '93** is a Spanish teacher in the Elizabethtown Area School District, Elizabethtown, Pa. She completed a master's degree in Spanish from Millersville University, Millersville, Pa. in August 1997.

**Ryan H. Tweedie '93** is vice president at HRSof, Inc., Morristown, N.J.

**Matthew R. Wood '93** is a forensic chemist in the Ocean County Sheriff's Department's Forensic Laboratory, Toms River, N.J.

**Matt D. Barr '94** is enrolled in a Physician Assistant Master's Program at Beaver College, Glenside, Pa.

**Donna Smoyer Bridges '94** is completing the residency portion of her master's coursework in Jacksonville, Fla. She hopes to receive her degree from George Washington University in December 1998.

**Rebecca Brown '94** married Patrick Pipino on October 12, 1997. Becky is special events coordinator for the YMCA of Saratoga, Saratoga Springs, N.Y. She is attending College of St. Rose, Albany, pursuing a master's degree in elementary education.

**Susan R. Cohen '94** is a computer hardware specialist with DSTI, Rockville, Md.

**Heather Fennell '94** married Burr Burkner on August 30, 1997 at Western Maryland College. She is a realtor with Century 21 Realty, Owings, Md.

**Melissa A. Fleegal '94** is a graduate assistant in the Interdisciplinary Program for Biomedical Sciences at the University of Florida, Gainesville.

**David V. Gartner '94** is a permanent employee of Merck and Co., West Point, Pa. He and his wife, **Christine Berry Gartner '94**, live in Lancaster, Pa., where Christy works for the North Penn School District as an English as a Second Language teacher.



**John A. Harper '94** is recreation director for the Hyatt Regency Grand Cypress Hotel, Orlando, Fla.

**Gretchen A. Harteis '94** is a physical therapist with Interim Health Care, Great Falls, Mont. She is a traveling therapist who moves about every three months and hopes her next stop is Winter Park, Colo.

**Michael A. Hartman '94** is digital sales specialist for Lanier Worldwide, Inc.'s U.S. Operations, Norristown, Pa.

**Amy L. Hilbert '94** is in therapeutic staff support at the Edgewater Psychiatric Center, Harrisburg, Pa.

**Jill M. Hulet '94** married David P. Sottile on April 5, 1997.

**Cathy Connors Kostick '94** and her husband, John, welcomed a daughter, Hannah Rose, on September 16, 1997.

**Rodney J. Kovach '94** is an English teacher and football coach in the Northern Lebanon School District, Fredericksburg, Pa.

**Christopher D. Long '94** is an elementary school teacher in the Central Bucks School District. He married Heidi Lyn Goeke on August 1, 1997.

**Keith W. Murray '94** is president of Help-U-Move, Inc., Lake Park, Fla.

**Chad M. Ott '94** is an actuarial consultant with Reliance Insurance Company, Philadelphia, Pa. He married Maureen Kaye Delaney on May 24, 1997.

**Jennifer Reeder '94** married Donnie Decker in Bedford, Pa. on July 19, 1997.

**Deanna M. Sanders-Hoar '94** is a medical technologist with HealthSouth, Pleasant Gap, Pa. She and her husband, Curtis, have one child, Cullen Robert, born October 4, 1994.

**Sheri Lynn Smith '94** is a research technician with the Department of Radiology, Center for NMR Research, Hershey Medical Center, Pennsylvania State University, Hershey, Pa.

**Seth J. Wenger '94** is attending the University of Georgia, Athens, pursuing a master's degree in Conservation Ecology and Sustainable Development. He was awarded a university-wide assistantship and graduate merit supplement.

**Craig S. Campbell '95** is night security counselor at New Life Boys Ranch, Harleysville, Pa.

**Crystal B. Crownover '95** is a job readiness skills instructor/case manager for Goodwill Industries of Central Pennsylvania, Inc., Harrisburg, Pa.

**Brad J. Dukehart '95** is an occupational therapist at Chambersburg Hospital, Chambersburg, Pa.

**Mark W. Henry '95** married Judy Clemson on August 2, 1997. They reside in New Tripoli, Pa. Mark is an admissions counselor at Northampton Community College, Bethlehem, Pa.

**Debra Keller '95** married Cory Weaver on April 19, 1997. She is a technical support engineer for EUNET Technologies, Fairfax, Va.

**Jeffrey E. Kostura '95** is a civil engineer with Mack Concrete Industries, Inc., Altamonte Springs, Fla.

**Bridget Ann Lohr '95** married James Charles Geisel '94 on December 6, 1997 in Trinity Evangelical Congregational Church, Harrisburg, Pa. Bridget is a therapeutic support staff worker with the Dauphin County Youth Advocate Program, Harrisburg. James is an inventory specialist with 360 Communications, Harrisburg.

**Karen L. McConnell '95** passed the CPA exam in May 1997.

**Daniel R. Neyer '95** is a forensic scientist with the Pennsylvania State Police, Media, Pa.

**Richard D. Ragno '95** is a member of the U.S. Navy Band, performing in both the ceremonial band and the brass quintet. They play throughout the South, from Lincoln, Neb. to Charleston, S.C. The band plays concerts, change of commands, retirement ceremonies and ship commissions. Richard is a third-class petty officer.

**William R. Saltzer '95** is engineer in charge for the remote audio division at Sheffield Audio/Video Productions, Phoenix, Md.

**Christopher M. Seiler '95** is a correctional officer for Lebanon County Prison, Lebanon, Pa.

**Harold L. Spangler, Jr. '95** is a senior actuarial analyst with Reliance Insurance Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

**Danielle Eileen Vernet '95** married Gary William Cassatt, Jr. on November 22, 1997 in Grace Evangelical Congregational Church, Lawnton. She is a seventh-grade life science teacher at Lemoyne Middle School in the West Shore School District, Lemoyne, Pa.

**Michelle M. White '95** is a third-grade teacher in the Cornwall-Lebanon School District, Lebanon, Pa.

**Linda L. Wink '95** is assistant manager at Good Hope Family Physicians, Enola, Pa.

**Timothy R. Yingling '95** is assistant executive director for the Greater Pottsville Sewer Authority, Pottsville, Pa. He and his wife, Carmel, have two sons, Nathaniel and Christian.

**Gretchen A. Acornley '96** married Michael Benner on November 15, 1997. Gretchen is concession manager for Susquehanna Valley Amusement, Middleburg, Pa.

**Amy Jo Aikens-VanBuren '96** is an elementary teacher at H. A. Snyder Elementary School, Sayre, Pa.

**Heather L. Barrett '96** is a legislative research analyst in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, Harrisburg, Pa.

**Kelly S. Bechtel '96** is a French and Spanish teacher for the Bermudian Springs School District, Bermudian Springs, Pa.

**Russell W. Britting '96** is pursuing a master of education degree in Adult and Organizational Development at Temple University, Philadelphia, Pa.

**Jacqueline Carusillo '96** married Aaron T. Weston '96 on July 19, 1997. Both are presently employed as teachers by the Delaware Valley School District, Millford, Pa.

**Tatjana Cuic '96** is a chemist with Bayer Corp., Myerstown, Pa.

**Spencer J. Dech '96** is a graduate research/teaching assistant at Ohio State University, Columbus. He is pursuing a master's degree in exercise physiology at Ohio State.

**Jennifer A. Fields '96** is a French teacher in the Palmyra School District, Palmyra, Pa. and the Lebanon School District, Lebanon, Pa.

**Stephen A. Heck '96** is the Indy car editor for RPM Racing News, a weekly motorsports newspaper based in Latrobe, Pa. He is also an assistant football coach at Schuylkill Valley High School, Schuylkill Haven, Pa.

**Jennifer L. Hotzman '96** is a graduate student in communication/journalism at Shippensburg University, Pa. She is also working parttime at Dauphin Deposit Bank in their corporate communications department.

**Judy A. Kennedy '96** is enrolled in the graduate program for reading/language arts at Millersville University, Millersville, Pa. She and her husband, Jeffrey, have one son, Adam.

**Raymond A. Matty '96** is an accountant at AMP Inc., Harrisburg, Pa. He was recently appointed to serve on the board of directors of Members First Federal Credit Union, Mechanicsburg, Pa.

**Lynne A. Morrell '96** is an elementary music teacher in the Easton School District, Easton, Pa.

**Elizabeth A. Palmer '96** is a junior accountant with Dorwart Andrew and Company, CPAs, Lancaster, Pa.

**Walter R. Popejoy '96** is a fifth-grade elementary school teacher in the Lebanon School District, Lebanon, Pa.

**Dominica Pulaski '96** is assistant manager at Nine West, Rehoboth, Del.

**James A. Rightmour '96** is an actuarial assistant for Buck Consultants, Secaucus, N.J.

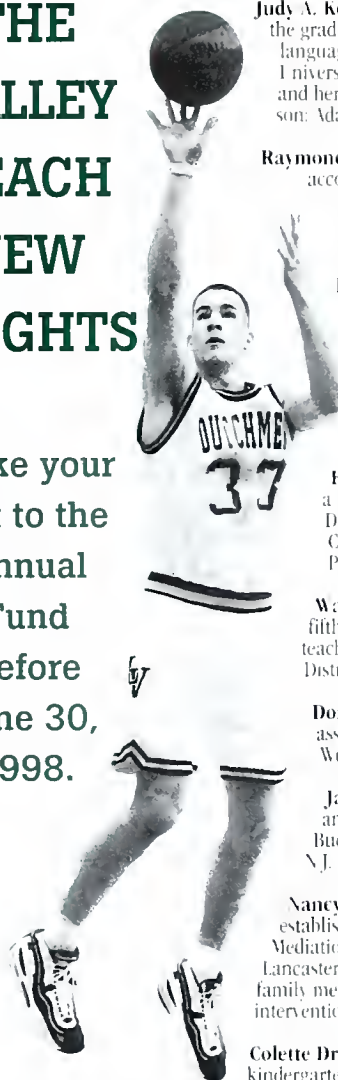
**Nancy Rohrer Sauder '96** has established a private practice, Mediation Services Association, in Lancaster, Pa. Her specialty areas are family mediation and organizational intervention.

**Colette Drumbheller Shatto '96** is a kindergarten teacher in the Howard County Public Schools, Child Development Center, Clarksville, Md. Her

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**Rachael A. Shattuck '96** is reservations manager at the Days Inn, Inner Harbor, Baltimore.

**Trent S. Snider '96** is a graduate student in the department of chemistry, Pennsylvania State University, University Park.

**Brian M. Warner '96** is a network computing sales specialist for IBM, Weymentor, Mass.

**Jason J. Zitter '96** has been named basketball coach at Northern Lebanon High School, Fredericksburg, Pa. Jason is a teacher at Lebanon Junior High School. He was a member of the 1994 national championship basketball team at LVC.

**Nicole L. Adams '97** is a law student at Washington and Lee University School of Law, Lexington, Va.

**Jasmine L. Ammons '97** is working towards a Master of Arts degree in humanities at Pennsylvania State University, Harrisburg, Pa.

**Tara L. Auman '97** is a residential counselor at Phillhaven-Crossroads West, Palmyra, Pa.

**Patricia Ritchie Bender '97** is a durum trader with Hershey Foods, Hershey, Pa.

**Sharon A. Benton '97** works at the information desk at Claremont School of Theology, Claremont, Calif., where she is pursuing a master of divinity degree.

**Mary E. Blankenmeyer '97** is head field hockey coach for Reading Central Catholic High School, Reading, Pa.

**Melissa B. Blouch '97** is employed by the Harford County Public Schools, Bel Air, Md., where she is responsible for five orchestras, grades four through 12.

**Jennifer L. Bryan '97** is a graduate student in clinical psychology at West Chester University, West Chester, Pa.

**Christie M. Burger '97** is enrolled as a student at Forest Institute of Professional Psychology, one of the few professional schools of psychology in the country.

**Anthony P. Burke '97** is a student at Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine, Erie, Pa.

**Jennifer L. Burkhart '97** is marketing manager, Red Rose Transit Authority, Lancaster, Pa.

**Jennifer L. Byers '97** is studying to be a legal assistant/paralegal at Central Pennsylvania Business School, Lancaster, Pa.

**Russell J. Ciliento '97** is a laboratory technician at ASK Foods Inc., Palmyra Pa.

**Regina E. Cocco '97** is a graduate student at the University of Illinois, Chicago, in the Microbiology and Immunology program.

**Thomas P. Cornish '97** is an investment accountant with Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Co., Salem, N.J.

**Tenneil L. Daniels '97** is coordinator of alumni development, Shippensburg University, Shippensburg, Pa., where she is also taking courses toward a master's degree in community counseling psychology.

**Mary Keymer Kernan '97** is executive assistant for Carmeuse North America, Chicago Heights, Ill.

**Corrina L. Doerge '97** is the assistant marching band director and concert band director at Huntington High School in Huntington, Long Island, New York.

**Yvonne D'Uva '97** is a teacher assistant for Nobel Education at Chesterbrook Academy, Manalapan, N.J. She attends Kean University of New Jersey, where she is majoring in speech and audio pathology.

**Troy M. Elser '97** is a mutual funds associate with Legg Mason Wood Walker, Baltimore, Md.

**Christina N. Ercek '97** is a communications specialist with Giant Food Stores, Inc., Carlisle, Pa.

**Ana Prewitt-Rodriguez Farr '97** is assistant to family relations at the Milton Hershey School, Hershey, Pa.

**Patricia Stein Fisher '97** is an accountant with AMP, Inc., Harrisburg, Pa.

**Dawn S. Friday '97** is a manager trainee with Commercial Credit Corp., York, Pa.

**Lavinia M. Garcia '97** is a graduate assistant in the Wellness Center at the University of Scranton, Scranton, Pa.

**Lisa Ann Geschwindt '97** married Mark Fegley on March 8, 1997. Lisa is a first-grade teacher in the Hamburg Area School District, Hamburg, Pa.



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**Matthew A. Gross '97** is a graduate student in secondary counseling at Shippensburg University, Shippensburg, Pa.

**Christopher T. Haak '97** is a human resources assistant with Dechert Price and Rhoads, Philadelphia, Pa.

**Jessica C. Haas '97** is a chemistry teacher in the Solanco School District, Quarryville, Pa.

**Carolyn A. Halloran '97** is a graduate student at Indiana University of Pennsylvania, majoring in industrial and labor relations.

**Daniel P. Henderson '97** is a sound engineer with Calf Audio, Ithaca, N.Y.

**Joyce Hodacz '97** is an occupational therapy assistant at Pennsylvania State University, Berks Campus.

**Danielle Homberg Hoy '97** is an engineering change distribution specialist with New Holland North America through the Brynes Group, New Holland, Pa.

**Lori A. Johnson '97** is an analyst with Huntington Life Sciences, Point Pleasant, N.J.

**Allen C. Keeney '97** is a graduate student/teaching assistant at Johns Hopkins University, Bloomberg Center for Physics and Astronomy, Baltimore, Md.

**Kris Wesley Kelley '97** is a nursing administrative assistant, scheduling coordinator for Integrated Health Services, Hershey, Pa.

**Tammi J. Kick '97** is a third-grade teacher in the Central York School District, York, Pa.

**Patrick M. King '97** is a staff accountant for BCA Division of Biopool, West Chester, Pa.

**Daniel A. Kistler '97** is district manager for UGI Utilities Inc., Carlisle, Pa.

**Roberta L. Kmiecinski '97** is a first-line supervisor for EDS, Mechanicsburg, Pa.

**Jason B. Kopp '97** is a general laborer with Hanover Sample Book, Brodbeck, Pa.

**Staci L. Kowalczyk '97** is a substitute teacher in the Palmyra, Pa. area.

**Danielle S. Kraft '97** is a credit analyst at Security National Bank, Pottstown, Pa.

**Nicole L. Lancieri '97** is an educator, at the Bancroft School for Handicapped Children, Voorhees, N.J.

**Holly M. Landis '97** is a contract specialist with the Communications-Electronics Command of the U.S. Army, Fort Monmouth, N.J.

**Nina E. Lauver '97** is a third-grade teacher at St. Stephen's School, Harrisburg, Pa.

**Kimberly A. Leister '97** is a personnel assistant for Temps Americat, Wayne, Pa.

**Shelly M. Levan '97** is a part-time cashier/supervisor at Shurfine Market, Shoemakersville, Pa.

**Angie L. Lewis '97** is a chemist with Lancaster Laboratories, Lancaster, Pa.

**Kristi S. Lorah '97** is a graduate student majoring in school psychology at Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pa.

**Meredith L. Lutz '97** is an operations research analyst at Naval Inventory Control Point, Mechanicsburg, Pa.

**Martha R. Mains '97** is an elementary music and orchestra teacher at Shohola Elementary School in the Delaware Valley School District, Milford, Pa.

**Michelle D. Malloy '97** is a Spanish teacher at Perryville High School in the Cecil County Public Schools, Perryville, Md.

**Lisa E. Martin '97** works for the *Patriot News*, Harrisburg, Pa.

**Natalie H. McDonald '97** is manager of Gallery 444, Ltd., Annville, Pa.

**Lisa Lehman McMinn '97** is an accountant at High Industries, Lancaster, Pa.



*President David Pollick, left, visited with Gerard Gert '41 and Margaret Manahan in Napa, California during a recent trip to the West Coast.*

**Ashley E. McMinis '97** is a teaching assistant in the Roanoke City Schools, Roanoke, Va.

**Kenneth R. Mengel '97** is manager of the facility management center at Bell Atlantic, State College, Pa.

**Sarah F. Metallo '97** is a substitute teacher in the Middletown Area School District, Highspire, Pa.

**Jennifer J. Mihalov '97** is a member of the staff support team at Meadows Psychiatric Center, Millersville University, Millersville, Pa.

**Stacey L. Miller '97** is a substitute elementary teacher in the Lycoming County School District, Montoursville, Pa. She is also taking courses in special education at Mansfield University, Mansfield, Pa.

**Tammy A. Miller '97** is on the cost accounting staff at Pepperidge Farm, Denver, Pa.

**Robin Hess Moyer '97** and her husband, David, welcomed a daughter, Schlyar Jordyn, on September 19, 1997.

**Bethany D. Mummert '97** is a graduate student in the Archive Museum and Editing Program at Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, Pa.

**Jennifer A. Nauss '97** is an account analyst with HealthAmerica, Harrisburg, Pa.

**Elizabeth M. Nissley '97** married **Benjamin S. Goodhart '97** on December 6, 1997 at Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church, Harrisburg, Pa. Elizabeth is employed by Conrad M Siegel Inc., Harrisburg. Benjamin is employed by the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency, Harrisburg.

**Timothy M. Ostrich '97** works with data entry at Keen Transport, Carlisle, Pa.

**Sharon L. Possessky '97** is pursuing a master's degree in biology at Clarion University.

**Kyle R. Roth '97** is employed by Bob Roth Building Maintenance Service, Catasauqua, Pa.

**Wayne Sallurday Jr. '97** is regional marketing manager for North American Business Technology, Cockeysville, Md.

**John H. Savidge '97** is a supervisor for HERCO at the Hershey Lodge and Convention Center, Hershey, Pa.

**Brent E. Shoemaker '97** is president/CEO of Tri-County Decks-N-Sheds, Inc., Dover, Pa.

**Heather L. Smith '97** is a psychiatric assistant at Philhaven Hospital, Mt. Gretna, Pa.

**Jessica L. Smith '97** is a fourth-grade teacher in the St. Mary's Public Schools, Lexington Park, Md.

**Patricia Ann Steffy '97** is director of housekeeping/laundry services at Moravian Manor Retirement Community, Lititz, Pa.

**Tina Marie M. Teichman '97** is a program manager for Empowerment, Choice, Options, Pottsville, Pa.

**Lori A. Testerman '97** is video-conferencing coordinator for Herron Associates, Inc., Indianapolis, Ind.

**Melissa A. Vargo '97** is a graduate student majoring in biochemistry at the University of Delaware, Wilmington.

**Christina J. Watts '97** is a prevention worker at the Community Counseling and Resource Center, Cockeysville, Md.

**Michelle M. Weaver '97** is a cook and dietary aide at Country Meadows, Hershey, Pa.

**Jennifer A. Wentzel '97** is enrolled at Widener University School of Law, Harrisburg Campus, Harrisburg, Pa.

**Bridget C. William '97** is a management trainee with ARAMARK, Philadelphia, Pa.

**Nathan A. Wisniewski '97** is a chemist at Lancaster Laboratories, Lancaster, Pa.

**Tara E. Wolownik '97** married Darrick Homer on October 25, 1997. She is a teacher assistant with the Lancaster-Lebanon R-13, Lancaster, Pa.

**Carol S. Zearing '97** is a graduate student at Drew University Theological School.

**Beth Anne Zielsdorff '97** is a mutual fund accountant with Merrill Lynch, MEAM Accounting, Princeton, N.J.

## DEATHS

**Barbara Spatz Hoyer '95**, October 24, 1997. She was the wife of the Rev. Wilson R. Hoyer, pastor of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Lebanon, Pa.

## Please tell us what you think ...

Dear Reader:

As you perhaps noticed, we have made some changes in this issue of *The Valley*. We have "opened up" the Class Notes section and included additional short features on alums. We are also using more color in the magazine, and have modified the overall design slightly.

Before we make additional changes, we would like to get your input. Please take a few minutes and fill out this short questionnaire. You can return it in the postage-paid envelope bound in the center of the magazine. Thank you for taking the time to give us your opinion. You're also welcome to send comments via e-mail to the editor at [pehrson@lvc.edu](mailto:pehrson@lvc.edu).

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2. If an alum, decade graduated: ☐ 1990s ☐ 1980s ☐ 1970s ☐ 1960s ☐ 1950s ☐ 1940s ☐ 1930s

3. How much of *The Valley* do you read? ☐ Cover to cover ☐ Half or less ☐ More than half ☐ None of it

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D. Photography/graphics \_\_\_\_\_  
E. Range of subjects covered \_\_\_\_\_  
F. Alumni news coverage \_\_\_\_\_  
G. Campus news coverage \_\_\_\_\_  
H. Athletics coverage \_\_\_\_\_  
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6 Do you think there is generally a good mix of subject matter in the magazine? ☐ yes ☐ no

7. Please check the subjects you would like to see more coverage on:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Individual alumni achievements  
\_\_\_\_\_ Faculty achievements/research  
\_\_\_\_\_ Staff achievements  
\_\_\_\_\_ Outstanding students  
\_\_\_\_\_ College history  
\_\_\_\_\_ Campus changes/construction  
\_\_\_\_\_ Athletics  
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\_\_\_\_\_ Cultural events  
\_\_\_\_\_ Fund-raising progress  
\_\_\_\_\_ National issues and trends from a Lebanon Valley viewpoint  
\_\_\_\_\_ Student life/activities  
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\_\_\_\_\_ The college's future plans  
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# College Embarks on New Physical Therapy Program



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*Architect's rendering of the building's interior, with therapy pool on the left.*

Two generous gifts totaling \$2.25 million have enabled the college to establish a five-year program in physical therapy which will begin enrolling students for the fall, 1999 semester.

Dr. Suzanne H. Arnold committed \$1.25 million and trustee Dr. Edward H. Arnold has committed \$1 million to build a beautiful, modern facility to house physical therapy program offices, classrooms, teaching laboratories, a therapy pool and a fitness/aerobic center. Work will begin this summer on the striking structure which will be constructed as an extension of the Arnold Sports Center. The gifts also allow for construction of athletic program areas including locker and shower facilities, storage and a training room.

Dr. Ron Scott, formerly an associate professor in the University of Texas Health Science Center's Department of Physical Therapy, has been named director of the physical therapy program, and negotiations are under way with several regional health organizations and institutions for clinical sites.

Look for more details on the new program in the fall 1998 issue of *The Valley*.

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